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HIGHER LEVEL OF UNITED KINGDOM EXPORTS MAINTAINED IN APRIL AND MAY

As announced in last week's *Board of Trade Journal*, United Kingdom exports in May amounted to £228·9 million. Taking April and May together, the monthly average of United Kingdom exports was £226·9 million, one per cent. more than that for the first quarter. For the first five months of 1954 the rate was £16·1 million or nearly 8 per cent. above the level of the first half of 1953 although only 2 per cent. more than the average in the second half.

Since the middle of last year the value of exports in each quarter has been higher than in the corresponding quarter a year earlier in about the same proportion—between 8 and 9 per cent. The increase in the volume of exports has been slightly greater than this as a result of some weakening in export prices over the past two years. In April and May the volume was about two per cent. more than in the first quarter of this year and only about one per cent. below the high rate reached in the last quarter of 1953.

Imports in May totalled £280·4 million, bringing the average for the first five months to £276·8 million. This was two per cent. below the rate in the first half of 1953 although slightly more than that in the second half. There has, however, been a greater decline in import prices in the past year than in export prices and so far in 1954 the volume of imports has been at a rate about three per cent. higher than in the first half of last year.

Re-exports in May were valued at £9·0 million, equal to the average for the first five months. The excess of imports, valued c.i.f., over exports and re-exports, valued f.o.b., in this period therefore averaged £42·4 million. This was 34 per cent. below the rate of £63·8 million in the first half of 1953; and, in spite of some adverse seasonal factors, was £3·0 million a month less than in the second half of last year. The striking decrease in the trade deficit in the past two years has to a considerable extent reflected the improvement, over the same period, in the terms of trade. This improvement appeared to be coming to an end in April when the terms of trade worsened by two points mainly due to increases in certain food prices. In May the terms of trade remained at the April level, there being no significant change in either import or export prices.

Note.—These Trade Accounts figures differ from those for visible trade in the balance of payments, where imports are entered f.o.b. and insurance and freight, in so far as they are paid abroad, are included in invisible expenditure. There are also significant differences in timing and coverage between the two sets of figures.

Area Pattern of Trade

Imports from the sterling area declined in the second half of 1953, as is usual, and increased again in the first five months of 1954 to a figure about £2 million a month or about 1½ per cent. above the rate in the first half of last year. This increase was more than balanced by an increase in exports and re-exports to the sterling area of over £12 million a month or 12 per cent. in the same period. The improvement was recorded in the final quarter of 1953 following the relaxation of import restrictions, particularly in Australia; and it has been substantially maintained so far this year. As a result, the trade deficit with the sterling area decreased between the first half of 1953 and the first five months of 1954 by over £10 million a month.

In the same period there was a similar fall in the trade deficit with the non-sterling world. In this case, however, half the improvement was derived from a decrease of 12 per cent. in the value of imports from the dollar area. Total exports to the dollar area meanwhile decreased by 7 per cent. or just over £2 million a month. This movement resulted from a larger decrease, of over £3 million

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a month or 12 per cent., in exports and re-exports to North America, of which nearly two-thirds was in exports to Canada. The seasonal recovery in our Canadian trade usual in the spring has this year been less than might have been expected from past experience, but it has been helped by a welcome improvement in shipments to the United States in the past three months. Total exports and re-exports to

United Kingdom Trade

	Imports (c.i.f.)	United Kingdom Exports (f.o.b.)	Re-exports (f.o.b.)	Excess of Imports over Total Exports
	£ million—monthly averages			
1952...	290	215	12	62
1953 1st Half ...	282	209	9	64
2nd Half ...	275	221	9	46
1954 1st Quarter ...	274	224	9	40
April-May ...	281	227	9	46

North America in May reached a higher figure, £27 million, than for any month, with the exception of October, since the sharp fall recorded in August of last year; but they remain well below the peak of over £32 million reached in June 1953.

There has been little change in the pattern of trade with the non-sterling world outside the dollar area since the beginning of last year although it may be noted that exports here have risen to a higher level in 1954 than in any quarter of 1953. In the case of the non-sterling O.E.E.C. countries and their possessions this has resulted in small favourable balance of trade on a Trade Account basis in January to May this year.

Commodity Pattern of Exports

The development of United Kingdom exports in 1954 has been mainly in engineering products. The April total for this category maintained the increase recorded in the first quarter of the year and in May there was a further rise of over £1 million in spite of a fall in the value of exports of ships and boats of over £2 million in the month. In the first quarter the increase over 1953 was chiefly in shipments of machinery, especially electric machinery, agricultural tractors, aeroplane engines, and refrigerating and office machinery. Since March, however, the principal increase has been in shipments of road vehicles, exports of which have risen from £24 million a month in January and February to £28½ million in May. Three factors contributed to this

United Kingdom Exports

	1953		1954	
	First Half	Second Half	First Quarter	April-May
	£ million—monthly averages			
Food, beverages and tobacco	12	13	13	13
Basic materials	8	8	9	9
Mineral fuels and lubricants	12	13	13	13
Manufactured goods :—				
Metals (1)	28	29	28	29
Engineering products (2) ...	81	81	87	88
Textiles, not including clothing (3)	26	29	29	28
Other manufactured goods	36	40	39	41
Total (4)	209	221	224	227

(1) Export List Divisions D 12, 13 and 14.
(2) Export List Divisions D 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 22.
(3) Export List Divisions D 6, 7, 8, and 9.
(4) Including Postal Packages and Live Animals not for food.

very rapid expansion. First, the end of the winter check to exports of cars to Canada (although shipments of passenger cars to Canada so far this year are £2 million or 34 per cent. less than in the corresponding five months of 1953); second, the seasonal increase in demand for British cars in the markets of Western Europe as a result of which exports of cars to these markets in May were valued at nearly double the

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Imports and United Kingdom Exports

(Monthly averages)

Class and Division	Imports				United Kingdom Exports			
	First Half 1953	Second Half 1953	First Quarter 1954	April-May 1954	First Half 1953	Second Half 1953	First Quarter 1954	April-May 1954
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Class A. Food, Beverages and Tobacco								
Div. 2. Meat and meat preparations	22,910	21,476	20,616	22,031	227	266	258	257
3. Dairy products, eggs and honey	15,640	12,653	17,153	15,250	144	139	211	240
5. Cereal and cereal preparations	18,954	20,365	13,488	10,179	757	829	663	1,050
6. Fruits and vegetables	16,671	12,458	15,167	21,857	714	625	852	633
7. Sugar and sugar preparations	9,851	11,658	11,984	9,755	2,425	3,125	2,604	3,011
8. Coffee, cocoa and preparations, tea and spices	13,178	12,599	19,734	15,705	1,020	1,210	1,112	1,187
11. Beverages	1,755	2,102	1,587	1,939	3,520	4,018	3,726	3,715
1, 4, 9 & 10. Other food and food preparations	5,886	8,227	7,556	8,272	746	1,080	1,125	952
12. Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	4,989	7,986	4,000	2,020	2,070	1,968	1,965	1,806
TOTAL CLASS A	109,834	109,524	111,285	107,008	11,623	13,260	12,516	12,851
Class B. Basic Materials								
Div. 1. Hides, skins and fur skins, undressed	4,340	4,049	4,067	3,530	201	168	202	151
2. Oil-seeds, oil nuts and oil kernels	6,183	5,925	7,210	5,482	1	1	1	1
3. Rubber, including synthetic and reclaimed	5,438	4,001	4,281	3,477	77	82	110	105
4. Wood and cork	12,137	14,423	7,648	9,877	36	35	35	56
5. Pulp and waste paper	4,840	6,465	5,991	7,180	51	71	83	61
7. Wool and other animal hair	25,691	15,174	17,630	21,475	5,234	5,486	5,775	5,606
8. Cotton	8,949	8,910	10,082	11,959	121	167	230	221
6 & 9. Other textile fibres and waste	3,367	3,049	3,559	2,914	654	513	540	586
10. Crude fertilizers and crude minerals, excluding fuels	2,638	2,647	2,956	2,906	548	666	682	751
11. Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	11,820	11,727	10,968	11,951	133	156	147	135
12. Miscellaneous animal and vegetable crude materials, inedible	2,303	2,648	3,162	2,451	363	255	418	286
13. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, greases and derivatives	5,282	3,736	3,626	6,674	628	476	441	541
TOTAL CLASS B	92,988	82,754	81,180	89,876	8,047	8,076	8,664	8,500
Class C. Mineral Fuels and Lubricants								
Div. 1. Coal, coke and briquettes	6	582	424	247	5,805	5,995	5,863	5,634
2. Petroleum and petroleum products	26,230	25,651	25,523	28,048	6,117	6,706	7,198	6,982
TOTAL CLASS C	26,236	26,233	25,947	28,295	11,922	12,701	13,061	12,616
Class D. Manufactured Goods								
Div. 1. Chemicals	5,692	6,913	8,536	7,918	14,220	15,345	15,763	17,185
2. Leather, leather manufactures, and dressed furs	1,771	1,701	2,005	1,710	1,430	1,462	1,423	1,401
3. Rubber manufactures	65	79	129	104	2,438	2,478	2,912	2,695
4. Wood and cork manufactures (excluding furniture)	1,769	2,223	2,782	3,245	189	184	186	200
5. Paper, paperboard and manufactures thereof	2,281	3,248	3,750	4,036	2,316	2,536	2,726	2,800
6. Woollen and worsted yarns and woven fabrics	381	545	527	486	6,916	7,651	7,432	6,481
7. Cotton yarns and woven fabrics	956	873	1,635	1,504	9,431	10,078	10,028	10,352
8. Synthetic fibre yarns and woven fabrics	615	882	1,157	1,028	2,995	3,565	3,586	3,652
9. Miscellaneous textile manufactures	1,784	2,017	3,034	2,370	6,516	7,214	7,683	7,629
10. Miscellaneous non-metallic mineral manufactures	615	703	510	604	4,560	4,785	4,755	5,018
12. Iron and steel	6,299	3,862	3,234	1,955	11,246	11,254	11,240	11,816
13. Non-ferrous base metals	13,096	12,148	12,492	15,414	5,045	5,059	4,568	4,456
14. Manufactures of metals	934	734	643	674	11,587	12,789	11,917	12,430
15. Machinery, other than electric	9,375	6,901	6,235	6,184	33,504	32,664	35,441	36,218
16. Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances	746	917	1,183	1,244	14,571	14,145	15,127	14,676
17. Railway vehicles	101	138	142	256	3,396	3,685	3,939	3,853
18. Road vehicles and aircraft	1,162	6,682	1,122	1,571	24,078	24,327	25,817	28,022
19. Ships and boats	345	97	184	175	2,856	3,737	4,294	2,488
20. Sanitary, plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures and fittings; prefabricated buildings; furniture	117	147	165	172	1,890	1,810	1,890	2,020
21. Clothing, footwear, travel goods and handbags	697	736	1,095	1,100	3,529	4,327	3,810	3,178
22. Scientific instruments; photographic and optical goods, watches and clocks	819	909	827	1,211	2,163	2,389	2,593	2,587
11 & 23. Other manufactured goods	1,610	3,226	2,379	2,124	6,129	7,246	5,975	6,705
TOTAL CLASS D	51,230	55,681	53,766	55,085	171,005	178,730	183,105	185,862
Class E								
Div. 1. Postal packages	1,218	595	1,086	711	6,159	7,720	6,596	6,696
2. Live animals not for food	523	668	475	394	495	599	457	332
TOTAL ALL CLASSES	282,029	275,455	273,739	281,369	209,251	221,086	224,399	226,857

United Kingdom Exports—(*Continued*)

average of January and February ; and third, the further relaxation of Australian import restrictions, which has led to the doubling of car exports to Australia both in number and value in the same period.

The expansion of the Australian market has also been an important factor in the increase in exports of metals by £1 million a month between the first quarter and April/May. Most of the increase in total exports of metals was in shipments of iron and steel. There was little change in April and May in exports of textiles in total. Shipments of wool yarns and fabrics were £1 million a month less than in the first quarter (although there was a slight increase in shipments of wool tops) ; about half of this decline was offset by increases in exports of cotton and rayon yarns and fabrics.

Among other manufactures there was an increase of £2 million in exports of chemicals in May over April which already showed an improvement over the first quarter ; the rate then was in turn £1 million a month more than the 1953 average. Comparing the first five months of 1954 with the first half of last year there has been an increase in the value of chemical exports of £2 million a month or 15 per cent. Most of the increase has gone to sterling countries, particularly Australia, India and New Zealand, but there have been useful increases in shipments to Western Europe, chiefly Western Germany and Sweden, and also to the Argentine and Egypt. The expansion in exports has been shared by all the principal sections of the trade with the exception of fertilizers. Perhaps the most notable increase has been in exports of plastic materials which have averaged almost £2 million a month in January to May—a level only previously reached in a few isolated months, and 29 per cent. higher than the average in the first half of last year.

Other exports have changed little in April and May compared with the first quarter. Compared with the first half of 1953 they increased in the five months by £2½ million a month or 8 per cent., the principal improvements being in shipments of refined petroleum and refined sugar.

Imports

	1953		1954	
	First Half	Second Half	First Quarter	April-May
	£ million—monthly averages			
Food, beverages and tobacco	110	110	111	107
Basic materials	93	83	81	90
Mineral fuels and lubricants	26	26	26	28
Manufactured goods ...	51	56	54	55
Total*	282	275	274	281

* Including Postal Packages and Live Animals not for food.

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Commodity Pattern of Imports

Imports in April and May were nearly £8 million a month more than in the first quarter, an increase more than accounted for by arrivals of basic materials. For the five months, however, imports averaged over £5 million a month less than in the first half of 1953. The whole of this decline could be accounted for by smaller imports of wool, which were more than a fifth less than the very heavy imports in the first half of last year. On the other hand, imports of raw cotton were on the average about a fifth more in quantity and value in the five months than in the first half of last year. Offsetting this increase, softwood imports this year have so far been one third less in quantity than the rate in the first half of 1953, and the value has been less by about a quarter.

Grain imports, with the exception of maize and rice, have this year been very much less than in the corresponding period last year. On the other hand imports of unrefined sugar have been about a quarter more in quantity this year than in the first five months of last year. Apart from stock movements these trends reflect a decline in the consumption of flour in the United Kingdom in the past year and an increase in that of sugar and sugar products—a change in consumer preference associated with the cessation of sugar rationing. Tea imports have also been heavier in 1954 than in the first half of 1953. Quantities have increased on the average by 19 per cent., but higher prices have resulted in an increase in value of 44 per cent. or over £2½ million a month.

Expanding production of refined petroleum and petroleum products in this country has resulted in an increase in imports of crude petroleum. So far this year the value has been a little less than in the corresponding period last year, but in quantity these imports are running at record levels.

Detailed particulars of United Kingdom imports, exports and re-exports were published on June 21* and further analysis of the figures will be found in the form of tables in the monthly Report on Overseas Trade for July† due to be published on or about July 18.

The table on page 1368 shows summary figures for imports and United Kingdom exports.

* Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom, May 1954, H.M. Stationery Office, price 12s. 6d. (by post 12s. 11d.).

† Report on Overseas Trade, published by H.M. Stationery Office, price 2s. 6d. (by post 2s. 8d.). Annual subscription £1 12s. 6d.

Interim Index of Retail Prices

AT May 18, the official index figure*, which measures changes in the average level of retail prices compared with the level at the base date, June 17, 1947 (taken as 100), was 141, compared with 142 at April 13.

The fall in the index during the month was due mainly to reductions in the average prices of milk, fish, cheese, and coal ; and, after allowing for differences in quality, in the average prices of margarine and cooking fat. These reductions were partly offset by higher prices for butter, tea, potatoes and fresh fruit.

* Details of the principal changes in prices are given in the *Ministry of Labour Gazette* published on June 24. The method of construction and calculation of this index of price movements is described in detail in a booklet published by H.M. Stationery Office under the title "Interim Index of Retail Prices: Method of Construction and Calculation," price 1s. 3d. net.

The President Opens New Offices for United Kingdom Trade Commission in Alberta

THIS photograph was taken at the new offices of the United Kingdom Trade Commissioner in Edmonton, Alberta, during the tour of Canada from which the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, returned to London on Sunday. Mr. Thorneycroft went to Canada by invitation of the Canadian Government to open the International Trade Fair in Toronto, and took the opportunity to visit other industrial centres in that country. On June 9 he opened the new offices in Alberta, and the picture shows him there with Mrs. Thorneycroft (centre) at the opening ceremony. On the left are Mr. R. R. Moore, Alberta's Deputy Minister of Economic Affairs, and the Hon. J. J. Bowlen, Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta ; on the right are Mr. William Hawrelak (Mayor of Edmonton), Mrs. M. J. Marshall, and Mr. M. J. Marshall, United Kingdom Trade Commissioner in Alberta.

The new offices are in the Imperial Bank Building on Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, immediately opposite the Macdonald Hotel, and in the heart of the city. They are the first to be occupied in a still-uncompleted addition to the bank building, and the President, in his opening speech, specially thanked everyone concerned for the efforts whereby the Trade Commissioner's offices were ready ahead of schedule.

There is a story of adventure and resourcefulness behind the safe arrival of the President and his party in Edmonton in time for the opening ceremony. On the previous night, June 8, they were 250 miles away in Jasper, where Mr. Thorneycroft spoke at the annual dinner meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers Association. Torrential rain in the area had made railway bridges impassable for ordinary trains and had destroyed road bridges. Jasper, in fact, was isolated.

But thanks to magnificent work by the Alberta Superintendent of the Canadian Railways, Mr. Thorneycroft and his party were able to start at 2 a.m. next morning, travelling down the railway line in an inspection car—an ordinary automobile fitted with steel flanged wheels. "We were crammed in this to such an extent that we could take no baggage," says one of the party. They journeyed 120 miles through the very small hours, to reach Edson at 5.30 a.m. There they changed into a sleeping car and arrived in Edmonton at nine o'clock.

In his speech at the ceremony Mr. Thorneycroft said it seemed appropriate, in that rapidly expanding and thriving city, that the new office should be located in a fine modern building at the very centre of the city. He added that the existence of a United Kingdom Trade Commission office in Edmonton, 5,000 miles from London headquarters, illustrated the United Kingdom's vital interest in trade on a world-wide basis.

The President and Canada's "Great Developments"

When he arrived at London Airport on Sunday, the President told a B.B.C. representative that great developments were taking place in Canada. They ranged from the iron-ore developments in the province of Quebec to hydro-electric projects in British Columbia, and it was in assisting in those big capital projects that the greatest opportunity lay. There were great chances for the British in heavy engineering, electrical engineering, construction and the like.

Asked about prices he replied, "I should say that British prices are competitive but, of course, we're meeting heavy competition now from Germany and Japan and not least from the United States of America. If we can keep our prices competitive and maintain the same high quality of goods for which we're traditionally honoured in that market I think we can hold our share of it and, I hope, increase it."

HOME NEWS SECTION

Monopolies and Restrictive Practices Commission

IN accordance with the provisions of the Monopolies and Restrictive Practices Commission Act, 1953, the Chairman of the Commission has appointed the following group to continue the investigation and to report on the Commission's reference concerning the supply and export of certain kinds of electrical and allied machinery and plant :—

Mr. D. A. S. Cairns, Q.C. (Chairman), Sir Thomas Barnes, Mr. J. A. Birch, Mr. W. L. Heywood, Mr. I. C. Hill, Professor Sir Arnold Plant, Mr. C. E. Wrangham, Sir Richard Yeabsley.

The original Monopolies and Restrictive Practices (Inquiry and Control) Act of 1948 was amended last year. The amendment provides, among other things, that the Commission's work may be divided into groups of not less than five members selected by the Chairman. The constitution of the first three such groups selected by the Chairman in accordance with the provisions of that Act was announced on May 31, 1954.

The investigation under this reference has been in progress for some time and the constitution of the group will not involve any duplication of work that has already been done as the members who form the group have already been concerned in the investigation.

50,000 See Mechanical Aids

MORE than fifty thousand visitors from sixty countries attended the fourth Mechanical Handling Exhibition which closed at Olympia, London, on June 19.

"The Exhibition should make an important addition to British exports of mechanical handling equipment which last year were valued at £20 million," one of the organizers said. "Exhibitors estimated that they had 30 or 40 per cent. more inquiries than at the last exhibition two years ago and that the attendance consisted almost entirely of potential users of the equipment." Several cranes were sold at the Exhibition and there were many good inquiries for the world's largest mobile crane which came to the show under its own power from Sunderland.

As a result of inquiries at the Exhibition a conveyor, carried on an electric vehicle believed to be the only one of its kind made in Britain, is to be demonstrated to British Railways, airline companies and the United States Army Air Force. All fork lift truck manufacturers—diesel, petrol and electric—including specialists in heavy duty trucks reported good business. Manufacturers of pallets and stillages for use in conjunction with fork lift trucks expressed the opinion that real progress has been made in "palletisation" of factories.

Ministry of Supply Appointments

THE Minister of Supply announces that Dr. C. H. Johnson, who is at present Chief Superintendent of the Explosives Research and Development Establishment, Waltham Abbey, has been appointed to succeed Mr. C. S. Bryant as Director of Materials and Explosives Research and Development, with effect from July 1. Mr. Bryant is retiring from the public service on June 30.

Mr. L. T. D. Williams has been appointed to succeed Dr. Johnson, as Chief Superintendent of the Explosives Research and Development Establishment.

Dr. Johnson entered the Civil Service in 1948, and was appointed Superintendent, Propellants Research II at the Explosives Research and Development Establishment. He has held the post of Chief Superintendent of that Establishment since June 1950.

Except for a break during the war years, 1939 to 1945, when he served in C.D.R.D./H.Q. and B.C.S.O. Washington, Mr. Williams has spent all of his Civil Service career at the Chemical Defence Experimental Establishment, which he joined in 1925 as a new entrant. Since 1951 he has held the post of Superintendent of the Chemistry Section.

Yarn Production in the Cotton Industry

PRODUCTION of cotton, spun rayon and mixture yarn for the week ended June 5, 1954, was 20·79 mn. lbs. compared with 20·90 mn. lbs. for the previous week and 13·67 mn. lbs. for the corresponding week of 1953, which included holidays for Trinity Week and Coronation Tuesday.

New Home and Overseas Air Services Approved

THE Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, after considering the recommendations of the Air Transport Advisory Council, has approved the operation of the following air services :—

Inclusive Tour Services

Between Lympne and Basle ; Air Kruise (Kent) Ltd., until October 31, 1954.

Between Southend and Calvi via a technical stop at Lyons ; Dan-Air Services Ltd., until September 26, 1954.

Between Bovingdon and Basle ; Hunting-Clan Air Transport Ltd., until August 22, 1954.

Between Bovingdon and Munich ; Hunting-Clan Air Transport Ltd., until August 29, 1954.

Between London (Croydon or Gatwick) and Nice ; Transair Ltd., until September 9, 1954.

Normal Scheduled Services

London—Frankfurt and/or Dusseldorf and/or Rome—Cairo or Beirut—Khartoum—Entebbe or Nairobi—Salisbury (Kentucky Farm)—Johannesburg ; British Overseas Airways Corporation, until March 31, 1961. (Operations into Salisbury are dependent upon the availability and suitability of Kentucky Farm aerodrome for operation by the Corporation's aircraft).

Colonial Coach Class Services

London (Blackbushe)—Bathurst—Freetown—Accra ; Airwork Ltd., until March 31, 1957.

London (Bovingdon)—Bathurst—Freetown—Accra ; Hunting-Clan Air Transport Ltd., until March 31, 1957.

Helicopter Service

Between London Airport and Southampton (Eastleigh) ; British European Airways Corporation, until June 13, 1955.

The Minister, after considering the recommendations of the Air Transport Advisory Council, has also approved the following applications for amendments to air services :—

The inclusion of Stavanger as an optional traffic stop on the normal Scheduled services operated by Hunting-Clan Air Transport Ltd., on the route Newcastle—Oslo—Stockholm.

An extension to the period of approval of the Internal Service operated between London (Croydon) and Birmingham (Castle Bromwich) by Olley Air Service Ltd., to permit operation during the period of the British Industries Fair each year up to and including 1960.

The operation of an Internal service in place of an Inclusive Tour service by B.K.S. Air Transport Ltd., between Newcastle and/or West Hartlepool—Bembridge (I.O.W.).

Report on the Census of Production for 1951

THE following sections of the report on the Census of Production for 1951 are now available and copies may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office at York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and branches, or from any bookseller.

	Net Price (Postage 1½d. extra) s. d.
Introductory Notes	1 6
Flax Processing (Volume 6, Trade E)	1 6
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Umbrellas and Walking Sticks (Volume 7, Trade K)	1 6
Starch (Volume 9, Trade E)	1 6
Linoleum, Leathercloth and Allied Trades (Volume 11, Trade B)	1 6
Brushes and Brooms (Volume 11, Trade C)	2 0
Sports Requisites (Volume 11, Trade E)	1 6
Incandescent Mantles (Volume 11, Trade J)	1 0

Further trade reports will be published at short intervals and announcements will be made as they become ready for publication.

Amendments to Open General Licence

THE Board of Trade announce in Notice to Importers No. 662 that the Open General Licence has been further amended with effect from July 1, 1954. Copies of this Amendment No. 8 are obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and branches, price 2d., by post 3½d.

Notice to Importers No. 635 should be amended as shown in the Annex to this Notice. The deletions from Schedule III, Group 17 and from Schedule VI do not represent any change in the import arrangements for the commodities referred to; their inclusion elsewhere in the Schedules, which has been previously announced, has made these entries unnecessary.

Annex to Notice to Importers No. 662

SCHEDULE II

Under the heading :—Hemp (including tow, corded tow, flume tow, clippings and waste) of the following descriptions :—

Add the item :—True (Cannabis Sativa).

SCHEDULE III

Group 5—Chemicals, Drugs, Medicines, Dyes, Colours and Fertilizers.

Add the items :—Sorbitan monolaurate, Sorbitan mono-oleate, Sorbitan monopalmitate, Sorbitan monostearate, Sorbitan sesquioleate, Sorbitan trioleate, Sorbitan tristearate.

Group 17—Miscellaneous, not including Toys.

Delete the item :—" Sweet bays."

SCHEDULE VI

Group 1—Part A—Food, Drink, Animal Feeding Stuffs and Seeds.

Delete the Item :—" Cocoa and chocolate powder (including chocolate in flake and other preparations of cocoa for beverages), unsweetened."

Group 3—Oils, Waxes, Resins, etc.

Under the heading :—" Oils the following " :—

Delete the item :—Pine oil.

Delete the item :—Pinene.

Imports of Certain Sugar Products

NOTICE to Importers No. 602 set out the import licensing arrangements for certain sugar products up to June 30, 1954.

The Board of Trade now announce in Notice to Importers No. 661, that licences for the import of the items referred to in that Notice will be issued on a similar basis for the period to December 31, 1954.

Applications on Form I.L.B./A should be submitted to the Board of Trade, Import Licensing Branch, 43 Marsham Street, London, S.W.1, not later than July 3, 1954.

Imports of Biscuits, Confectionery, Canned and Bottled Fruit

IN Notice to Importers No. 644 it was stated that a separate announcement would be made about the arrangements for imports of these goods during the second half of 1954.

The Board of Trade announce, in Notice to Importers No. 660, that the arrangements will be similar to those for the period January 1 to June 30, 1954, as announced in Notice to Importers No. 609 except that import licences will be issued on the basis of imports of the particular commodity during the period July 1 to December 31, 1951.

Separate applications for each country should be submitted on Form I.L.B./A to the Board of Trade, Import Licensing Branch, 43 Marsham Street, London, S.W.1, not later than July 3, 1954. Each application should relate to only one of the following headings :—

(a) Biscuits.

(b) Chocolate confectionery, chocolate couverture, sugar confectionery.

(c) Canned fruit (other than apricots, fruit salad, grapefruit, mandarin oranges, peaches, pears, pineapples, including crushed pineapple, any mixture of fruit containing one or more of these varieties).

Bottled fruit (in water, syrup, or spirituous liquor) other than grapefruit and pineapple.

Licences will be valid until December 31, 1954.

It will not be necessary to send with applications certified statements of imports during the period July 1 to December 31, 1951, where the applicant has already supplied these in response to Notice to Importers No. 564.

Talks on Export Credit Insurance

THE Union of Insurers for the Supervision of International Credits commonly known as the Berne Union (Union d'Assureurs pour le Controle des Credits Internationaux), held its 11th annual meeting in Rome from May 3 to 7, under the chairmanship of Mr. B. R. Frick, of the Swedish Export Credits Guarantee Board, with the Societa Italiana Assicurazione Crediti acting as hosts. The meeting was attended by representatives of credit insurance institutions in Canada, Denmark, France, the German Federal Republic, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

Discussions during the meeting concerned a number of importing countries which, on account of prevailing economic trends, transfer difficulties and other conditions, call for special attention on the part of credit insurers. Reports on their policy in respect of these markets were made by the various institutions. Information was also exchanged about new forms of cover, credit terms underwritten, the scope of guarantees and of premium rates charged.

With a view to increased co-operation a revised body of Statutes was adopted and decision made to set up a permanent Secretariat, the terms of references of which were preliminarily agreed.

New members admitted were the Trade Indemnity Company Ltd., of London, and four Irish Insurance Companies underwriting credit risks subject to reinsurance by the Irish Government. The Office National du Ducroire of Brussels—who had sent a representative to the meeting, their formal application still being awaited—was invited to become a member of the Association.

Dr. Bruno de Mori, Director General of the Societa Italiana, was elected President for a period including the General Meeting of 1955. To assist the Chairman, particularly in matters of organization in regard to the Secretariat, a committee was formed, composed of Mr. Frick, Mr. Owen (Comptroller-General of Export Credits Guarantee Department, London), M. Levy (President-Directeur-General of Cie. Francaise d'Assurance pour le Commerce Exterieur) and Mr. Groenedaal (Managing Director of Nederlandsche Credietverzekering Mij).

Weights and Measures Act Examinations

THE following candidates were successful in the examination held by the Board of Trade under Section 8 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, during the week commencing April 5, 1954 :—

Name	*Local Authority*	*Name*	*Local Authority*
L. Booth	(Sheffield)	A. J. Cripps	(L.C.C.)
J. M. Cressey	(Sheffield)	J. W. Frid	(L.C.C.)
J. Ryan	(Yorkshire, W.R.)	G. A. Stokes	(L.C.C.)
R. S. Scott	(Yorkshire, W.R.)	R. G. Humphries	(L.C.C.)
J. H. B. Hornby	(Lancashire)	J. W. Ashurst	(L.C.C.)
B. Cellinge	(Lancashire)	F. R. Cooper	(Essex)
R. B. Saunders	(Lancashire)	J. A. E. Hill	(Hampshire)
W. Ritchie	(Greenock)	C. Chessum	(Hertfordshire)
I. E. Branscombe	(Dorset)	C. T. Emberson	(Tunbridge Wells)
R. Baggaley	(Chesterfield)	J. E. Balch	(E. Sussex)
M. Hully	(Cumberland)	R. W. Gregory	(Somerset)
W. J. Smith	(Cornwall)		

The Board of Trade will hold an examination under Section 8 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, in London during the week commencing Monday, April 18, 1955. Applications to attend this examination will be accepted up to and including Saturday March 19, 1955, and should be addressed to the Board of Trade, Standards Department, Chapter Street House, 26 Chapter Street, London, S.W.1.

Decrease in Jute Prices

THE Ministry of Materials announces a further reduction in the Jute Control's selling prices of raw jute, consequent upon a further fall in Pakistan prices. The reduction will be £5 per ton for all grades, making the new price for Mill Firsts £103 per ton. There will be corresponding reductions in the Control's selling prices of imported hessian.

Existing price schedules have been withdrawn, and the new prices came into effect from June 21. Full details will be posted to traders concerned.

Import and Export Prices in May

BOTH the index of import prices, at 98 (average for 1953 = 100), and the index for export prices, at 99, were unchanged in May compared with April, and the terms of trade index—the ratio of import to export prices—remained constant at 99, the level which prevailed at the beginning of this year and in the latter part of last year.

Among imports there was a small seasonal rise in the index for food, beverages and tobacco, and the index for basic materials rose by a point to 97, but the prices for fuels and manufactured goods were steady.

The recent decline in the export prices of metals continued in May when the index fell by a further point to 94. Compared with April the index for textiles was unchanged at 103 and there was a slight upward movement in the export prices of engineering products.

These index numbers measure the changes from month to month in the value of a fixed selection of imports and exports representative of the commodity pattern of trade in the calendar year 1953.

(1953 = 100)

	Imports					Exports						Terms of Trade*
		(Class A)	(Class B)	(Class C)	(Class D)		Manufactured Goods (Class D)					
	Total	Food, Beverages and Tobacco	Basic Materials	Fuels	Manufactured Goods	Total	Total	† Metals	‡ Engineering Products	§ Textiles (excluding Clothing)	Other	
1952 January	111	105	120	122	104	104	104	101	95	126	111	107
February	112	105	121	123	107	105	105	102	97	124	112	107
March	112	106	118	122	107	106	106	104	99	122	113	106
April	111	106	115	121	108	106	106	107	99	119	113	105
May	109	106	111	122	106	105	105	106	99	117	111	104
June	109	106	111	123	107	105	106	107	100	110	113	104
July	107	104	108	124	105	104	105	108	101	105	111	103
August	107	104	106	123	106	104	105	108	102	105	109	103
September	106	103	105	124	105	103	103	106	100	103	108	103
October	105	101	105	122	105	102	103	106	101	101	105	103
November	104	100	104	114	106	102	102	101	102	99	105	102
December	103	100	105	115	104	102	103	105	102	100	105	101
1953 January	103	99	103	114	106	101	101	104	101	100	102	102
February	102	99	102	114	103	101	101	103	100	100	102	101
March	102	100	102	113	103	101	101	104	101	101	101	101
April	102	101	100	108	102	100	101	103	100	99	100	102
May	100	101	101	95	100	100	99	100	99	99	100	100
June	99	102	99	91	98	99	99	101	99	100	98	100
July	100	101	100	91	100	100	99	100	100	98	99	100
August	99	100	99	95	99	100	100	98	101	100	98	99
September	98	98	98	97	98	100	100	98	100	101	100	98
October	99	99	99	95	98	100	99	97	100	101	99	99
November	98	99	98	93	97	99	99	96	100	100	100	99
December	98	99	99	94	96	99	99	97	99	101	101	99
1954 January	98	99	98	93	95	99	100	96	100	101	99	99
February	97	99	97	93	94	99	100	97	100	102	100	98
March	96	99	96	93	94	99	99	96	99	101	100	97
April	98	101	96	93	94	99	99	95	99	103	100	99
May	98	102	97	93	94	99	99	94	100	103	99	99

* The ratio of import prices to export prices. A rise indicates an adverse movement.
† Export list divisions. D. 12, 13 and 14.
‡ Export list divisions. D. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 22.
§ Export list divisions. D. 6, 7, 8 and 9.

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Enforcement of International Arbitral Awards

THE International Chamber of Commerce submitted to the 17th Session of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations in New York, a draft Convention on the Enforcement of International Arbitral Awards, which is intended to replace the 1927 Convention on the Execution of Foreign Arbitral Awards. Their proposals are to be studied by an international committee of legal experts, shortly to be appointed.

The following United Kingdom trade organizations have been asked for their comments on the commercial implications of the proposed Convention. Any firm or organization, not a member of any of these bodies, who wishes to obtain a copy of the proposals should write to Commercial Relations and Exports Department, Board of Trade, Room 5175, Horse Guards Avenue, London, S.W.1.

Association of British Chambers of Commerce.
British Wool Federation.
Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom.
Cocoa Association of London.
Coffee Trade Federation.
Federation of British Industries.
General Produce Brokers Association of London.
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Imported Meat Trade Association.
Incorporated Oil Seed Association.
International Wool Textile Association.
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Liverpool Cotton Association.
Canned Goods Trade Section (Liverpool Chamber of Commerce).
Edible Nuts and Dried Fruit Trade Section (Liverpool Chamber of Commerce).
Liverpool Dried Fruit Dealers Association.
Liverpool Provision Trade Association.
London Cattle Food Trade Association.
London Chamber of Commerce.
London Copra Association.
London Corn Trade Association.
London Fur Trade Association.
London Hemp Association.
London Jute Association.
London Metal Exchange.
London Oil and Tallow Trades Association.
London Provision Exchange.
London Rice Brokers Association.
London Shellac Trade Association.
Manchester Cotton Association.
Manila Hemp Association.
National Union of Manufacturers.
Rubber Trade Association of London.
Seed Oil Cake and General Produce Association.
Sugar Association of London.
Tea Buyers Association.
Timber Trade Federation of the United Kingdom.

Trade Inquiry Offices in London

IN the list of "Trade Inquiry Offices in London" published in last week's *Board of Trade Journal* (page 1356) the address of the Office for British West Indies, British Guiana and British Honduras should have read, Alexandra House, 31 Kingsway, London, W.C.2. (Covent Garden 1908/9).

Patents Act, 1949

UNDER Section 35 of the Patents Act, 1949, the undermentioned patents were endorsed "Licences of Right" on the date specified.

Number	Name	Subject-Matter
	June 2, 1954	
695,235	Raibourn, P.	System for recording television images on motion picture film.
699,043	Blackburn & General Aircraft Ltd.	High speed aircraft.
700,914	General Tire & Rubber Co. ...	Rubber-to-metal adhesives and method of making same.
	June 9, 1954	
599,797	Cotton, Ltd., W.	Straight bar knitting machines.
612,952	Smart & Brown (Engineers), Ltd.	Glow discharge starter switch for electric discharge lamps.
640,337	Clark, S. J.	Sheaths or guide tubes of flexible cables.
649,086	Buhler Bros.	Method of and means for the cooling of mill cylinders particularly for grinding and flaking cereals.
652,869	James, U. S.	Vibrators.
667,032	Bierman, H. R....	Energy absorbing or deceleration ropes, straps and harnesses.
671,925	Electro-Hydraulics, Ltd. ...	Shock absorbers.

Any person who claims that the patentee at the time of endorsement of any of the above patents was precluded by a contract in which the claimant is interested from granting licences under the Patents may apply for cancellation of the endorsement on Patents Form No. 45 within two months after the date of endorsement.

J. L. GIRLING,
Comptroller-General.

The Patent Office.

United Kingdom Trade with Selected Countries

THE "Trade of the United Kingdom with Selected Countries" for the year 1953 compared with 1952 and 1951 is now on sale at Her Majesty's Stationery Office, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and branches, price 12s. 6d. net. This volume makes available, in 162 foolscap pages, information about the composition of imports from and exports to about 70 selected Commonwealth and foreign countries, in advance of the larger volume called "The Annual Statement of Trade."

"Hints to Business Men" Booklets

REVISED editions on Belgian Congo, Denmark, Israel and Thailand have recently been published in the series of booklets "Hints to Business Men."

United Kingdom business men who intend visiting these countries on export business can obtain copies of the booklets on application to the Board of Trade, Directories and Notices Section, Room 1386, Horse Guards Avenue, Whitehall, London, S.W.1. (Telephone: Trafalgar 8855, Ext. 2928.)

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Questions Asked and Answered in Parliament

Below is a selection of questions of interest to industry answered in Parliament

WEDNESDAY JUNE 16

Imports of Footwear

The President was asked the numbers and value of rubber-soled canvas shoes and of other footwear wholly or partly of rubber, synthetic rubber, balata or gutta-percha, respectively, imported from Hong Kong for the first five months of 1954, compared with the same period in the two previous years.

The Minister of State, Board of Trade, Mr. Heathcoat Amory, replied that information for the first five months of 1954 was not yet available. For the first four months of 1952, 1953 and 1954 the information was as follows :—

IMPORTS FROM HONG KONG OF FOOTWEAR MADE WHOLLY OR PARTLY OF RUBBER, SYNTHETIC RUBBER, BALATA OR GUTTA-PERCHA.

	January–April			January–April		
	1952 Doz. pr.	1953 Doz. pr.	1954 Doz. pr.	1952 £'000	1953 £'000	1954 £'000
Black or brown plimsolls and other canvas shoes with rubber soles ...	97,889	128,331	269,737	257	291	611
Other rubber footwear ...	9,365	18,764	52,386	43	75	157

THURSDAY JUNE 17

Merchandise Marks Act

Asked how many prosecutions his department had undertaken or initiated, between February 1 and April 5, 1954, under the Merchandise Marks Acts, in respect of false trade descriptions as to material content of consumer goods, including the advertising of such goods to which false trade descriptions had been applied, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, Mr. Henry Strauss, replied : " None, Sir."

Decisions on Prosecutions

A questioner asked what decision he had reached concerning the initiation of prosecutions, respectively, against the makers of the Downland Curlew full-size down pillow, and against Arthur Mortimer & Company (Wools) Limited, Bradford, manufacturers of Argyll double knitting wool, labelled as containing wool and nylon.

Mr. Strauss replied that the Board of Trade had commenced proceedings in the first case. No decision had yet been reached in the second case.

U.N.E.S.C.O. Agreement

The President was asked whether he was aware that Her Majesty's Government's representative at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on November 22, 1950, gave his support to the international agreement for the removal of restrictions on the import of books, that British representatives of all Parties gave their support on September 30, 1952, to the recommendation of the Assembly of the Council of Europe that this agreement be ratified, that on December 22, 1952, the British representative on the Committee of Ministers called on all States which had not ratified that agreement to ratify with the minimum of delay ; and whether he would therefore publish the ratification of the agreement at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that he was aware of the support which had been forthcoming from the United Kingdom for the international Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials, of November 1950. The text, incorporating a statement that Her Majesty's Government had ratified the Agreement, would be published shortly as a Command Paper in the Treaty Series.

Trade with China

There had been no recent changes in the list of goods permitted for export to China, and none were contemplated, Mr. Heathcoat Amory said.

Asked for what reason he refused a Lincoln firm a licence to export £750,000 worth of engineering products to China, Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that the goods in question were marine diesel engines and, in fulfilment of our obligations under the United Nations Resolution of May 1951, we did not allow the export of such engines to China.

Copying of British Textile Designs

Questioned whether he was aware that Japanese textile firms were importing into British West Africa exact copies of British designs, and whether he would take steps to stop this breach of the Anglo-Japanese trade agreement, Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that the President was fully aware of this. Copying of this kind was not, as the questioner implied, a breach of the Anglo-Japanese trade agreement ; but it was quite inconsistent with established standards of good trading practice and the President intended to bring the matter to the notice of the Japanese Government.

Factories in Development Areas

In Development Areas, according to the latest information available, Mr. Strauss said that 94 factories and extensions of 1,000 square feet or more financed by the Board of Trade under the Distribution of Industry Acts were completed between the beginning of 1952 and the end of May 1954. Figures were not readily available of factories financed wholly or partly by other Government Departments.

In other areas, during the same period, 2,315 new factories and extensions of over 5,000 square feet were completed. No figures were available of factory building below 5,000 square feet in these areas.

Export of Cured Herrings to Israel

Asked whether his attention had been drawn to the statement in the Annual Report of the Herring Industry Board that lack of support from Her Majesty's Government had resulted in the total loss of the Israeli market for cured herring to our competitors, and what action he proposed to take, Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that he had seen the report and very much regretted the loss of this trade. But Israel was very short of sterling and other exchange and we could not determine the way in which Israel laid out her scarce foreign exchange. He was afraid, therefore, that there was not at present any action that Her Majesty's Government could usefully take in this matter.

E.C.G.D. and Exports of Cured Herring

A questioner asked the President whether he was aware that the continued refusal of the Exports Credits Guarantee Department to underwrite exports of cured herring had resulted in the loss of valuable overseas markets, particularly in the Middle East, to our competitors ; and whether he would arrange for some relaxation of the stringent conditions at present applied to this commodity, which rendered it impossible for herring exporters to take advantage of the facilities which were available to other industries.

Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that the Export Credits Guarantee Department was prepared to underwrite exports of cured herring sold on normal short credit terms. He knew of no change in circumstances since the reply given by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on May 19, 1953, which would justify giving guarantees for sales on longer credit terms than were given for comparable consumer goods or for any other modification of E.C.G.D. conditions. The Department was, however, prepared to discuss with the Herring Industry any new problem which might now be facing them and to seek to provide appropriate facilities.

Imports of Fruit from Canada and U.S.A.

Mr. Heathcoat Amory said that we were unfortunately obliged to maintain import licensing restrictions upon many traditional Canadian and United States exports to this country, including fruit, in order to save dollars. We had from time to time relaxed these restrictions,

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whenever it was possible, but were buying more from North America than we were selling there. He could therefore give no undertaking about the future level of our imports of fruit from that area.

Imports of Knitwear from Hong Kong

Questioned about the total value of knitwear imports from Hong Kong for the first five months of 1952, 1953 and 1954, respectively, Mr. Heathcoat Amory said that figures for the first five months of this year were not yet available. Recorded imports of knitwear in the first four months of 1952, 1953 and 1954 were, respectively, £37,500, £35,000 and £61,300.

National Film Finance Corporation

Asked why a member of the firm of accountants professionally employed for many years by British Lion Film Corporation to handle their accounts had now been appointed as receiver to that company, Mr. Strauss replied that the National Film Finance Corporation, with whom the choice lay, considered him to be the man best qualified for the task.

Imports of Rubber Footwear

Questioned as to whether he was aware of the concern felt at the rapid increase in the volume of imports of rubber footwear ; and what steps he would take in the matter, Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that he was aware that United Kingdom manufacturers of rubber footwear were concerned about imports of these goods. Most of these imports come from Hong Kong and it would be contrary to the policy of Her Majesty's Government to impose quotas or duties on imports from Hong Kong or any other Colonial territory.

Security Controls on Exports

Asked under what international agreement Her Majesty's Government was prevented from permitting the export of an unlimited quantity of generators of more than 750 kilowatts to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that there was no formal international agreement. It was, however, the policy of Her Majesty's Government, as it was that of the previous Government, to operate security controls in conjunction with other friendly governments.

North Eastern Trading Company

The President was asked what was the number of persons who were employed in the North Eastern Trading Company's factories in Sunderland on November 1, 1951.

Mr. Strauss replied that figures for November 1, 1951, were not available. On September 30, 1951, these factories were employing 1,470 men and boys and 4,074 women and girls, making a total of 5,544.

Monopolies Report on Calico Printers Federation

Asked when it was intended to take action with regard to the recommendations of the Report of the Monopolies and Restrictive Practices Commission on the Calico Printers Federation, Mr. Strauss replied that the President would make a statement on this matter when he had completed his discussions with the industry.

Suggested 14-day Excursion Tickets

The President was asked if he would ensure that the British Travel and Holidays Association would consult with the British Transport Commission with a view to arranging to satisfy the urgent need for cheap 14-day excursion tickets and other concessions to assist the tourist trade in North Devon this summer.

Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that the British Travel and Holidays Association were in constant touch with the British Transport Commission about travel facilities to all holiday areas including North Devon, and he understood that they had already put forward to the Commission a suggestion similar to that made by the questioner.

MONDAY JUNE 21

Manganese Ore from the Soviet Union

Mr. Heathcoat Amory stated that in the twelve months June 1953 to May 1954, 93,000 tons of manganese ore valued at £1,688,000 were imported from the Soviet Union. There were no imports from the Soviet Union in the previous twelve months.

Re-equipment of Industry

The President was asked whether, in the interest of industrial efficiency and re-equipment, he would now remove or modify the present licensing restrictions on the import of machinery from the dollar area.

Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that the Government thought it of the greatest importance that British industry should be well equipped and believed that re-equipment could usually be carried out with British-made machinery which in so many fields was second to none.

At the same time the Government, while still unable in the present balance of payments situation to remove licensing restrictions on imports of dollar machinery, considered that some of the severity of the existing restrictions could be relaxed. Accordingly, in future, more favourable consideration would be given to applications for import licences whenever the Board of Trade were satisfied, from the information before them in each case, that a dollar machine would reduce costs and that no alternative non-dollar machine offering roughly similar advantages was available.

TUESDAY JUNE 22

Easing the Ban on Exports of Strategic Goods

The President was asked to provide a list of the items on which the strategic ban on trade with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics or with China had been wholly or partially lifted since the conclusion of the cease-fire in Korea.

Mr. Heathcoat Amory replied that in the case of the U.S.S.R. the United Kingdom had removed the embargo on the export of a few chemicals and certain parts of synthetic textile plant, and the quantitative restrictions on tinplate and natural rubber and on certain items in the field of machine tools, chemical equipment, chemicals and abrasives. In the case of China, we had lifted the embargo on small passenger cars and sodium peroxide, and the quantitative restrictions on antibiotics, sulphonamides and anti-malarial drugs.

Indian Tariff on British Textiles

Asked if the attention of the Government of India would be drawn to the deep resentment in Lancashire caused by the Indian tariff against British textiles ; and what other steps the Government were taking in this matter, Mr. Amory replied " Yes, Sir." Representations had been made to the Government of India on this matter at the highest level and the United Kingdom Government would continue to express dissatisfaction at every suitable opportunity.

United States Additional Duties on Silk

A questioner asked what representations had been made to the United States Government regarding the United States Treasury decision, T.D. 53476, published on April 22, 1954, which instructed collectors of customs to assess and collect additional duties on certain manufactures of silk equal to the net amount of the bounty or grant alleged to be paid or bestowed by Her Majesty's Government.

Mr. Amory replied that the application of these duties was mandatory on the United States Administration under the United States Tariff Act 1930. Her Majesty's Government were consulted on the calculations involved. The United States Treasury reviewed periodically the scale of additional duties payable and the instruction referred to brought the additional duties into line with current drawback rates in the United Kingdom.

Imported Radio Valves

The President was asked if he was aware that foreign radio valves were being imported into this country, clearly marked Foreign Made, but bearing the stamp of a prominent British manufacturer and the stamp of the British Valve Manufacturers' Association ; and what steps he proposed to stop this abuse.

Mr. Henry Strauss stated that Section 16 of the Merchandise Marks Act 1887 required that such goods imported into the United Kingdom should be accompanied by a definite indication of the country in which the goods were made. A Notice to Importers issued jointly by the Board of Trade and the Commissioners of Customs and Excise and in use since 1927 treated the marking described in the Question as sufficient compliance with this requirement.

Any firm might import radio valves originating in and consigned from Western Europe and certain other countries under the Open General Licence without further specific authority. For radio valves not covered by the Open General Licence, individual licences had been issued to thirty-seven firms during the period October 1, 1953, to June 15, 1954.

Mr. Strauss told another questioner that imports of radio valves

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Reduction in Selling Price for Tungsten Ores

THE Ministry of Materials announce that from Friday June 18, its selling price per long ton unit delivered consumers' works for tungsten ores (wolframite and scheelite) of standard 65 per cent. grade and ordinary quality was reduced to 165s. plus 10s. charge.

were not separately recorded but 2,078,000 electronic valves were imported into the United Kingdom in the first quarter of this year, and 771,000 in the corresponding quarter last year.

Exports of Cycles to China

Asked what recent steps he had taken to increase the export of British cycles and motor-cycles to China, Mr. Amory stated that the export of motor cycles to China was prohibited in pursuance of the United Nations Resolution of May 1951. But pedal cycles might be freely exported to China and, as had been stated on many occasions, it was the Government's policy to encourage the export to China of non-strategic goods. The possibilities of trade depended, however, upon the policy of the Chinese Government.

North-East Trading Estate

A member asked what factors caused the decline of 1,271 in the number of persons employed in the North-Eastern Trading Estate Company's factories in Sunderland between September 30, 1951 and February 27, 1954. Mr. Strauss replied that early in 1952 about 800 workers were discharged by these factories on account of a decline in the demand for their products; and in 1953 Prices, Tailors, Limited, closed their clothing factory.

The Board of Trade were seeking to increase employment for both men and women through the full use of all Government-financed factories in the area, and they had recently approved the building of a large new Government-financed factory on the Pallion Estate.

Imports of Wood from Japan and Canada

In the twelve months June 1953 to May 1954 imports from Japan and Canada of softwood excluding mining timber were respectively three standards, and 334,000 standards; and of mining timber were respectively nil, and 55,000 piled cubic fathoms, Mr. Amory stated. Imports of hardwood from Japan and Canada were respectively 1,210,000 cubic feet, and 1,650,000 cubic feet.

Import Duty on Linseed Oil

Asked if the Board would remove the import duty on linseed and linseed oil, Mr. Amory replied, "No, Sir." Those duties were imposed as a result of the 1932 Ottawa Agreement with India, under which Her Majesty's Government undertook to maintain a margin of preference of 10 per cent. *ad valorem* on linseed and of 15 per cent. *ad valorem* on linseed oil imported from India and other Commonwealth countries. These margins of preference were again guaranteed in the Trade Agreement with India, which was signed on March 20, 1939.

Registrations of British and Foreign Films

THE following are details of films registered by the Board of Trade under the Cinematograph Films Acts, 1938 and 1948, during the week ended Tuesday, June 22, 1954:—

Title of Film	Registered in the Name of	Maker's Name	Registered No.	Length (feet)	Date of Registration
		BRITISH			
Knights of the Round Table	Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures Ltd.	Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer British Studios Ltd.	Br/E 19209	10,397	June 17
Trouble in the Glen	Republic Pictures International Inc. (Gt. Britain).	Everest Pictures Ltd.	Br/E 19213	8,204	June 18
Fancy Meeting You	Eros Films Ltd.	Paul Barralet Productions Ltd.	Br/E 19214	1,470	June 18
Happy Ever After	Associated British-Pathe Ltd.	Anglo Film Ltd.	Br/E 19215	7,790	June 18
The Travelling Hat	" "	Rayant Pictures Ltd.	Br/E 19216	1,404	June 19
Pathe Pictorial Nos. 508/520 (series):— *Pathe Pictorial No.* 511	Associated British-Pathe Ltd.	Associated British-Pathe Ltd.	Br/E 19217	759	June 19
In Search of the Bushmen	Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures Ltd.	British Foundation Pictures Ltd.	Br/E 19219	1,472	June 21
Model Girl	Archway Film Distributors Ltd.	De Lane Lea Films Ltd.	Br/E 19226	3,000	June 21
		FOREIGN			
Overture to the Merry Wives of Windsor	Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures Ltd.	Loew's Inc.	F 19210	812	June 17
Eddie Drake Investigates	Butcher's Film Distributors Ltd.	Empro Productions	F 19211	5,001	June 17
Human Torpedoes	Archway Film Distributors Ltd.	Ponti de Laurentiis and Valentia Films	F 19212	8,303	June 17
Children of Love (Les Enfants de l'Amour)	Gala Film Distributors Ltd.	Gray Films	F 19218	10,440	June 21
Barbee-Cues	Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures Ltd.	Loew's Inc.	F 19220	950	June 21
Billy Boy	" " "	" "	F 19221	548	June 21
Do Someone a Favour!	" " "	" "	F 19222	810	June 21
Fish Tales	" " "	" "	F 19223	743	June 21
Hic-Cup Pup	" " "	" "	F 19224	570	June 21
Little School Mouse	" " "	" "	F 19225	643	June 21
Gorilla at Large	Twentieth Century-Fox Film Co. Ltd.	Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corp.	F 19227	7,541	June 21

Br/E indicates that the film is an exhibitor's quota film.
Where the title appears in italics the film forms part of a series.

Forthcoming Government Auction Sales

MACHINE TOOLS and miscellaneous stores to be sold from Ministry of Supply, Storage Depot, Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, London, S.E.18, on July 6–8, will include lathes, a vertical die sinking machine, milling machines, grinders, a band filing machine, a large quantity of milling cutters and reamers, diesel marine engines, petrol engines, diesel and petrol electric sets, 350 electric motors, air compressor units, paint spraying plant, portable boilers, five Lima petrol excavators, 1–30 ton cranes, wireless and electrical equipment, scrap batteries, binoculars, compasses, surgical stores, 6,000 ground sheets and ponchos, 30 tons eyeshields, 25 tons charcoal, 17,500 inflatable lifebelts, parachutes, canvas, tents, rope, cordage, cotton thread, tape, web equipment fittings, suiting, sheeting, men's three-piece suits, sports jackets, flannel trousers, tunic shirts, raincoats, felt hats, and shoes. View days are the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Monday before the sale and mornings of the sale.

Details of this and other sales arranged by the Ministry of Supply will be found in the list below. Catalogues which admit two persons on view days, and one person on sale days, can be obtained from the auctioneers (**approximately fourteen days prior to the date of the sale**), price sixpence (*Postal Orders only*).

1954	Stores	Main Location	Auctioneer
June 30 ...	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores ...	M.O.S. Storage Depot, Ruddington, Notts. ...	Walker, Walton & Hanson, Byard Lane, Bridlesmith Gate, Nottingham. (Tel.: 47271.)
July 6–8 ...	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores ...	M.O.S. Storage Depot, Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, London, S.E.18.	Fuller, Horsey, Sons & Cassell, 10 Lloyd's Avenue, London, E.C.3. (Tel.: Royal 4861.)
July 14 ...	Machine tools and engineering equipment	M.O.S. Sub-Depot, Giffen, Nr. Beith, Ayrshire. (*Sale at Central Halls, Bath Street, Glasgow.*)	Thomas Hill & Co., 67 Robertson Street, Glasgow, C.2. (Tel.: Central 4383.)
July 27 ...	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores ...	M.O.S. Sub-Depot, Lily Lane, Byley, Nr. Middlewich, Cheshire. (*Sale at New Islington Public Hall, Ancoats, Manchester.*)	J. H. Norris & Son, 9 Albert Square, Manchester 2. (Tel.: Blackfriars 8373.)
Aug. 10–12	Vehicles	M.O.S. Storage Depot, Ruddington, Notts. ...	Walker, Walton & Hanson, Byard Lane, Bridlesmith Gate, Nottingham. (Tel.: 47271.)
Aug. 12 ...	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores ...	M.O.S. Storage Depot, Rotherwas, Hereford ...	Russell, Baldwin & Bright Ltd., 20 King Street, Hereford. (Tel.: 4366.)
Aug. 19–20	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores ...	Central Ordnance Depot, Old Dalby, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. (*Sale at Auction Assembley Rooms, Norman Street, Melton Mowbray.*)	Shouler & Son, 1 Norman Street, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. (Tel.: 81.)

All the above sales have been previously announced in the Board of Trade Journal.

Air Ministry

GOVERNMENT SURPLUS plant and equipment lying at No. 25 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Hartlebury, Worcester, will be sold at Royal Air Force, Hartlebury, on Thursday, July 1, 1954, commencing at 11.0 a.m. prompt. The sale by public auction will include greatcoats, trousers, tunics, raincoats, groundsheets, winches with power plant, aircraft spares, cable, electrical equipment, nuts and bolts, cotton cordage, etc.

Details of this and other sales arranged on behalf of the Air Ministry will be found in the list below. Catalogues which admit two persons on view days, and one person on sale days, can be obtained from the auctioneer within ten days of the advertised date of each sale, price sixpence (*Postal Orders only*).

1954	Stores	Location	Auctioneer
July 1 ...	Miscellaneous stores and equipment ...	No. 25 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Hartlebury, Kidderminster, Worcs.	Nock & Joseland, Bank Buildings, Kidderminster. (Tel.: Kidderminster 2053 and 4211.)
July 14 ...	Miscellaneous stores and equipment ...	No. 7 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Quedgeley, Gloucester.	Bruton Knowles & Co., Albion Chambers, King Street, Gloucester. (Tel.: Gloucester 21267.)
July 22 ...	Miscellaneous stores and equipment ...	No. 14 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Carlisle. (*At County Hall, Carlisle.*)	Harrison & Hetherington, Botchergate, Carlisle. (Tel.: Carlisle 26292/3.)
August 11...	Miscellaneous stores and equipment ...	No. 35 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Heywood, Lancs. (*Auction Site, Bowlees.*)	Brady & Son, 17 Warren Street, Stockport. (Tel.: Stockport 2252/3.) In conjunction with C. W. Provis & Sons, 2 Booth Street, Albert Square, Manchester, 2. (Tel.: Central 2800.)
August 26...	Miscellaneous stores and equipment ...	No. 25 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Hartlebury, Kidderminster, Worcs.	Nock & Joseland, Bank Buildings, Kidderminster. (Tel.: Kidderminster 2053 and 4211.)

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Publications Received

The African Market in Rhodesia and Nyasaland

H.M. Stationery Office has published a report by the United Kingdom Trade Commissioner in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, on the market among Africans in the new Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. He describes this market as "potentially vast but at present only slowly emerging from a state where large quantities of a few relatively low priced articles were bought. But," he adds, "the movement has started: its continuation depends on the success attending the process of persuading the African, and giving him the opportunity, to raise his productivity."

The report accordingly assesses the importance of the Central African native as a consumer, and contains detailed information on the African population, employment, the African's earning power, the African as a buyer, channels of distribution, and advertising. A number of statistical tables regarding imports are added.

"The African Native Market in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland" is obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and branches, price 1s. 6d.

Fire Prevention and Cure

New methods of attacking fires in petrol storage tanks are among the techniques on which report is made in "Fire Research 1953," an account of the year's work by the Fire Research Board of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. The Board has evolved a new foam compound which, when injected through the supply lines at the base of the tanks, will now produce in burning petrol the results already achieved in similar tests with oil storage tanks.

The report also discusses a year's researches into the behaviour of building and other materials when subjected to fire—notably the fire-resistance of prestressed concrete beams, and the "crushing" strength of concrete at high temperatures. In earlier reports the Board had had to suggest that some innovations in building had contributed to the speedier expansion of fires, but it is now able to give a satisfactory account of its researches into corrective measures.

"Fire Research 1953" is obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and branches, price 2s. 6d. (by post 2s. 8d).

British Standards

COPIES of the following British Standards are available from British Standards Institution, Sales Branch, 2 Park Street, London, W.1 :—

Automatic Controlling and Regulating Systems

The B.S.I. have now published Sections 3 and 5 of their comprehensive glossary of terms used in automatic controlling and regulating systems of the closed-loop type—i.e. monitored control systems (B.S. 1523:1954).

Section 3 covers the terms used in kinetic control systems, i.e. systems for controlling the displacement, velocity or acceleration of a mechanical load, such as a crane, a die-sinking machine, or a gun: it therefore includes terms associated with servo-mechanisms. This Section includes terms covering basic principles, feedforward and feedback, types of control systems, parts of a servo system types of servo-mechanisms, types of continuous control action, and the performance of control systems. In defining a monitored control system, notes are given setting out the difference between a closed loop system and a system with a closed sequence of dependence. An appendix is included giving the effects of derivative and integral controls in a displacement-displacement kinetic control system for a load possessing inertia and viscous friction. Price 4s.

Section 5 defines many of the terms which relate to the mechanical and electrical devices used in the building up of servo-systems—particularly those dealt with in Section 3—and covers devices used for deviation measurement, amplifiers and their components, computing devices, stabilizing and response-modifying devices, servo-motors and tachometers. Price 5s.

OVERSEAS TRADE SECTION

The Practical Side of Exhibiting at Overseas Trade Fairs

Van containing the Exhibition Stand being loaded at Dover *en route* for Brussels.

By an Executive of a Firm of Manufacturers of Motor Car Equipment

DOUBTLESS many United Kingdom manufacturers who are actively engaged in export business have considered the possibility of exhibiting at foreign shows. Often they think the expense and effort involved is not worth while: they leave it to the agent on the spot to have his own stand and arrange the best display possible within the limited space at his disposal. Alternatively, it is possible for a standfitter, either British or foreign, to erect a stand abroad, but again this may be thought too expensive to be worth while. Is the cost and effort of showing at foreign shows justified? Are there any real advantages to be gained?

One firm of motor accessory manufacturers solve this problem by transporting their own exhibition stand abroad to foreign motor shows and sending their own labour to deal with the erection and their own staff to man it. In this way they have shown at 21 trade shows since 1948. This article tells how they set about it and leaves no doubt that they think it pays.

How It Can be Done

The company are manufacturers of motor car equipment with three factories on the Great West Road at Brentford, employing over a thousand workpeople. As soon as they could after the war the company decided to exhibit in foreign markets, and in 1948 the stand they used at the London Motor Show was sent to the Brussels and Geneva Shows with a view to increasing sales in European markets. The tour was undertaken with very little knowledge of the conditions involved, using the firm's own transport and personnel. This idea proved so successful that it was repeated in 1949 and 1950. In 1951, in addition to showing at Brussels and Geneva, it was decided to exhibit at the Paris Salon. The following year the foreign show programme was repeated, and it was decided to form a separate department to handle the constructional side of exhibitions. In 1953, besides going to Paris, a further show was added and the tour to Brussels and Geneva was extended to Turin.

This year the company have exhibited at Brussels, Amsterdam and Stockholm. After the Swedish Show the exhibition unit travelled 2,000 miles, across five countries in nine days, to Turin for the Italian Motor Show. A separate stand was sent to Geneva in a rail container, as this exhibition took place between the Amsterdam and Stockholm Shows. In all, the company have had three exhibition stands in operation this year—two abroad and one in this country.

The Travelling Stand

Showmanship is most important at foreign shows and the company's stand sets out to capture attention. Movement is the keynote of the display and all products are demonstrated by working models. This makes for complicated layout and is not achieved without considerable effort and planning.

The stand is of unit construction and can be arranged to fit into the different floor spaces allocated. Forty-eight feet of display-counters house all the gear required to operate the working displays.

The centrepiece of the stand is a revolving turntable surmounted by an electric sign. Forty feet of interlocking walnut panelling, corner boxes, illuminated sign board, lighting fittings, conduit and even rubber flooring are transported. The working exhibits need compressors, vacuum pumps, transformers, motors, turntables, etc., all of which, including lighting, must suit the various voltages encountered in the different countries.

No detail has been overlooked to ensure simple and speedy erection. The counters, for instance, which look very substantial when on display, are packed flat and are no more difficult to erect than a whist-drive card table. The rubber flooring is in foot squares and is laid checkerboard fashion. The rubber is mottled and still looks fresh even after visitors have been walking on it all day. Rubber mats bearing the company's trade mark are made to fit snugly in the floor layout. Practical experience has taught the company only to rely on units and fixtures of "battleship" construction to withstand the wear and tear of exhibition work. The stand was built in the company's workshops and is maintained by works personnel.

Planning the Tour

The planning of the tour is organized in the following manner. The first stage is to obtain approval for currency from the Bank of England, and an estimated schedule of exhibition and personnel expenses has to be prepared and submitted. The Bank of England have always been most encouraging and co-operative. The documentation for the various shows is completed with the exhibition authorities, clearly stating that arrangements are subject to the granting of permission by the Bank of England. The tour is fully discussed with the company's shipping agents, who work out the itinerary and give valuable information concerning conditions, costs, etc., and arrange custom clearances overseas. Documents vary according to the country concerned, but detailed invoices are prepared listing all the exhibits.

A plan of the stand is submitted to the show authorities with a requisition for electric lighting and power and instructions for the installation of telephone and for entries in the exhibition catalogue. Application is made for entrance tickets and also for car park tickets. Reservations for hotel accommodation, garages, etc., are made from this country. Furniture is hired in the country to be visited. At this stage it is impossible to give too much thought to the planning of the tour. All details are checked, right down to the accuracy of the language on the smallest exhibit notice.

Careful attention has to be paid to fire-proofing of exhibition material, as exhibition authorities are becoming more vigilant in this respect. Items such as first-aid kit, paper clips, drawing pins, scissors, coat hangers, needles and cotton are all packed away to ensure that no hitch will upset the smooth running of the tour. Great care is exercised after the show in repacking the van exactly as originally packed so that customs can easily check the invoices and so avoid unnecessary delays. On the road the men are given a reasonable schedule and fix their own accommodation on the route.

It will be seen that this company handle the entire project from start to finish without calling on their agents unless absolutely necessary. The agent is, however, expected to co-operate in dealing with show authorities and in the provision of additional staff on the stand during the show to talk to customers in their own tongue. The agent is also responsible for producing sales literature in the appropriate language, but the entire range of the company's own literature is also taken.

Does it Pay ?

The answer is a most emphatic "Yes! It *does* pay!"

From every point of view the company has found exhibiting most beneficial. One individual show may not pay for itself, but the overall policy is highly successful. The greatest advantage is obtained when a tour is organized so that the stand unit is taken from show to show, thus reducing the transport charges to the minimum. By construction of a lasting prefabricated stand, high standfitting charges are eliminated.

Consider these advantages :—

(a) The agent has to show other manufacturers' products and can only devote limited space to the products of any individual firm, whereas, by organizing its own show abroad, a company can have its own stand in addition to the agent's space.

(b) Exhibiting abroad affords an excellent opportunity for instructing agents by holding sales conferences and by solving technical problems. With all the products to hand, actual demonstrations can be given.

(c) Exhibiting at foreign shows gives a fine opportunity of studying the market at first hand, observing the specialized needs of a country and seeing how the products measure up against particular requirements. Foreign competition can also be observed—a most important point in a business where it is essential to be first in the field.

(d) A company grows in international standing if its displays are continually seen in successive foreign shows year after year, and an exhibitor quickly becomes part of the international business network which exists beneath the surface seen by the casual visitor.

Each year since 1948 this company have increased their export business as a result of an imaginative export policy in which foreign shows play a considerable part. In their opinion exhibiting at foreign shows is one of the most positive forms of export advertising, and by actively going out for export orders in this way a company's foreign business can be given considerable stimulus apart from the many hidden assets.

(Any manufacturer contemplating exhibiting abroad can get useful information and assistance from the Exhibition and Fairs Branch of the Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.)

Discussions with Jamaica and the West Indies

DISCUSSIONS in London with the Trade Delegations from the Jamaican Government and the West Indies Regional Economic Committee have now ended. An announcement was made on June 5 about the first stage of these discussions. The further discussions dealt with the future of the West Indian banana and citrus industries and reached the following conclusions.

On bananas, the Jamaican delegation was informed that Her Majesty's Government did not contemplate that it would be possible to justify the retention of quantitative restrictions on non-dollar bananas beyond June 30, 1955. Quotas could not be reduced but they would be maintained at the present level until that date when all import restrictions on non-dollar bananas would be lifted.

On citrus, the Regional Economic Committee delegation was informed that—

(1) Her Majesty's Government would make no further purchase of citrus products from funds made available in the present United States fiscal year under section 550 of the Mutual Security Act ;

(2) No such purchase would be made under any future programme of United States aid without the Colonial Governments being fully consulted in advance of any decision ;

(3) Her Majesty's Government would, if necessary, arrange for the purchase of any unsold balance of this year's export surplus of canned grapefruit from the West Indies at a price based on the average price at which the Ministry sold to the trade during the 1952–53 crop year.

The discussions revealed that the banana and citrus industries of the West Indies were liable to risks in the longer term which would not be met by the immediate arrangements described above. Apart from consideration of the representations by the West Indian delegations on tariffs and subsidized competition, to which reference was made in the earlier announcement, Her Majesty's Government undertook to proceed forthwith, in consultation with the Colonial Governments concerned, to examine the nature and extent of these risks and to formulate within the next twelve months any scheme of assistance necessary to safeguard these industries.

Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Explosives in Ships. The Sixth list of Amendments to Appendix A of the 1951 Report of the Departmental Committee on the Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Explosives in Ships, may now be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office, price 4d. (by post 4½d.).

Trade and Financial Arrangements

Anglo-Czechoslovakia Trade Talks Adjourned

DIFFICULTIES have arisen in the Anglo-Czechoslovak financial discussions, which have made little progress.

The talks have now been adjourned and the United Kingdom delegation have returned to London.

France and Czechoslovakia

THE FRENCH *Moniteur Officiel du Commerce et de l'Industrie* of May 13 published the text of a new trade agreement between France and Czechoslovakia, signed in Paris on May 7. The agreement provides for the exchange of goods to the total value of 8·4 milliard francs during the period April 1, 1954, to March 31, 1955.

French exports to Czechoslovakia for which provision has been made in the agreement include citrus fruits, meat including live cattle, wines, iron ore, iron and steel products, natural phosphates, pharmaceutical products, essential oils, rabbit skins, raw textile materials, textile products, machine tools and motor vehicle parts of French manufacture.

Czechoslovak exports to France under the agreement will consist mainly of feathers and down, synthetic gut, seed potatoes, paper-making materials, sawn timber, matches, silica products, abrasives, footwear, raw furskins, cotton fabrics, glassware, machine tools, sewing machines and Chinese products.

The French text of the notice may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 601, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Ext. 681.)

France and Denmark

DETAILS of a new trade arrangement of May 21 between France and Denmark, extending for a further period of six months until September 30, 1954, the trade agreement of October 8, 1951 (see *Board of Trade Journal* of December 5, 1953, page 1182), were published in the French *Moniteur Officiel du Commerce et de l'Industrie* of May 27.

French exports of goods still subject to Danish quota restrictions will continue to take place at the rates laid down in the original agreement and will include wines and spirits, photographic materials, china, hollow glassware, metal goods and radio electrical equipment.

In accordance with the recommendations approved by the Organization for European Economic Co-operation (O.E.E.C.), quotas for Danish exports to France represent generally 30 per cent. of the quotas originally agreed. They include dairy products, fish, seed potatoes and machinery. A quota has also been provided for the construction and repair of ships and nautical equipment.

Danish exports to French overseas territories will continue at the rates laid down in the original agreement and will include dairy products, canned meat and lard, beer and Diesel marine engines.

The French text of the trade arrangement may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 625, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

France and Formosa

HER MAJESTY'S representative in Tamsui, Formosa, has reported the conclusion of two agreements, covering trade and payments, between the Nationalist Chinese Authorities in Formosa and the Government of France. Both agreements are valid for one year from May 12, 1954, and are renewable.

The trade agreement provides for an annual exchange of goods to a total value of U.S.$ 20 million. Formosan exports will include green tea, citronella oil, tinned pineapple, bituminous coal, feathers, etc. Exports from France will include fertilizers, machinery, metallurgical, chemical and rubber goods, wool, window glass and paper. The agreement allows for a swing balance of U.S.$ 1·5 million in either direction.

The payments agreement provides for the opening of central accounts in both countries and for a settlement in U.S. dollars if the swing of U.S.$ 1·5 million is exceeded.

The full text of both agreements, in French, may be seen on application to the Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Room 608, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 4411, Ext. 682.)

Israel and Norway

HER MAJESTY'S Representative in Tel Aviv has reported that a trade agreement between Israel and Norway covering the period May 7, 1954, to May 6, 1955, was signed in Jerusalem on May 10.

The values of the goods to be exchanged under this new agreement, which closely follows the pattern of the previous agreement in operation from May 7, 1953, to May 6, 1954, will be approximately 25 per cent. more. Payment for the goods exchanged will be settled in accordance with the Payments Agreement which was signed in Oslo on May 4, 1953.

Under the agreement Israeli exports to Norway will include citrus fruit, citrus concentrates and extracts, bananas, vegetables, ready-made clothing, motor vehicles and spare parts, watches and miscellaneous goods. Norway's exports to Israel will include fish and fish products, fertilizers, chemicals, paper and board, and miscellaneous goods.

Detailed lists of goods to be exchanged and a copy of the Payments Agreement may be seen on application to the Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 4411, Ext. 276/609).

Colombia and Argentina

HER MAJESTY'S EMBASSY in Bogota reports the signing in Bogota on April 25, 1954, of a Commercial and Payments Agreement between the Republics of Colombia and Argentina. The official text has not yet been published but it is understood that the agreement provides for reciprocal "most favoured nation" treatment and for a mutual exchange of goods to a value of U.S.$ 5·75 million during the first year of the agreement.

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Information for United Kingdom Exporters

BRIEF DETAILS are given below of overseas inquiries for United Kingdom products, contracts open for tender, reports on commercial conditions abroad, export trade openings, etc., which have been issued by the Board of Trade, Export Services Branch, to subscribers to the Special Register Information Service. The subscription to the Information Service is £2 10s. a year and membership is open to United Kingdom manufacturers and exporters.

Intending subscribers can obtain a copy of any particular Special Circular listed and a membership application form from the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 807, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Ext. 780 and 779.)

Calls for Tenders

Inquiries connected with the calls for tender mentioned below should be addressed to the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 801, *Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.*1. (*Tel.: Chancery* 4411, *Ext.* 738 *and* 771) ; *reference numbers should always be quoted.*

Diesel Electric Locomotives for the South Australian Railways, Melbourne, **Australia** ; closing date August 10, 1954. Tender documents available for inspection at the office of the Agent General for South Australia, 499 Oxford Street, London, W.1. Reference E.S.B. 14760/54.

Circulating Water Pumps for Gas and Fuel Corporation of Victoria, Melbourne, **Australia** ; closing date July 8, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15436/54.

Refrigeration Plant for the East Perth Gas Works, **Western Australia** ; closing date for receipt of tenders at office of Agent-General for Western Australia, 115 Strand, London, W.C.2, is August 24, 1954. Closing date for tenders submitted to Perth is September 2, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14860/54.

Transformers for the Brisbane City Council, **Australia** ; closing date September 3, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15194/54.

Steam and Feedwater Pipework for the State Electricity Commission of Queensland, **Australia** ; closing date September 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14347/54.

N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contracts : Installation of Electric Power and Lighting in Workshop Hangar at Melsbroek, Belgium ; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 15296/54.

Galvanized Sheets for Belgian Congo for the Ministry of Colonies, **Brussels** ; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents (in French) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14885/54.

Construction of a Covered Market for the Adjudications Council in Luluaborg, **Belgian Congo** ; closing date July 28, 1954. Specification not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 14888/54.

Enlargement of Police Camps, for the Provincial Secretariat, Leopoldville-West, **Belgian Congo** ; closing date July 29, 1954. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 14908/54.

Concrete Mixing Machines for the Government General, Leopoldville, **Belgian Congo** ; closing date July 16, 1954. Specification (in French) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14907/54.

Armoured Doors for the Adjudications Council in Coquilhatville, **Belgian Congo** ; closing date July 13, 1954. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 14997/54.

Equipment for Treating Wooden Posts with Preservatives for State Electricity Commission, Porto Alegre, **Brazil** ; closing date July 13, 1954. Specification and conditions of contract (in Portuguese) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14979/54.

Sewer Pipes and Specials for Nairobi City Council, **British East Africa** ; closing date July 5, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14871/54.

Pipelines for Waterworks at Bogota for the Acueducto Municipal, Bogota, **Colombia** ; advance notice. Further information about the project will be published when available. Reference E.S.B. 12893/54.

Hydro-Electric Plant at La Garita for the Electricity Institute, San Jose, **Costa Rica** ; closing date postponed to August 16, 1954. Reference E.S.B. 12302/54.

(1) **Car Washer, Electrical** ; (2) **Portable Crane, Floor Hoist** ; (3) **Hydraulic Garage Jacks** for Central Trust of China, **Formosa** ; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15363/54.

Testing Machinery for the Central Trust of China, Taipei, **Formosa** ; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15365/54.

Various Tools for the Central Trust of China, Taipei, **Formosa** ; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15364/54.

N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contracts : Construction of Dispersal Areas at Peronne Mons-en Chausse, **France** ; closing date not yet announced. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 15181/54.

N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contracts : Constructional Work at Larissa, Eleusis and Nea Ankialos, **Greece** ; closing date for work at Larissa July 20, 1954 ; closing date for work at Eleusis July 17, 1954 ; closing date for work at Nea Ankialos July 19, 1954. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 15160/54.

Electric Power Plant for the Jordan Ministry of National Economy, Amman, **Jordan** ; closing date July 21, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15193/54.

Electrically Operated Intake Service Gate Hoists for the Damodar Valley Corporation, Calcutta, **India** ; closing date July 5, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15198/54.

Double Wet Tool Grinder for Directorate-General of Supplies and Disposals, New Delhi, **India** ; additional information. Reference E.S.B. 13166/54.

Marine Diesel Engines for delivery to India for Indian Supply Mission, Washington ; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15330/54.

Printing and Bookbinding Machinery and Machine Tools for delivery to India for the India Supply Mission, Washington ; closing date July 14, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14708/54.

Steam Locomotive Engines and Tenders for delivery to India for the General Services Administration, Washington ; closing date August 6, 1954. Tender documents available for inspection and copies available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14736/54.

Ice Plant and Insulated Transit Containers for Conveying Chilled and Frozen Fish (for supply to India) for the India Supply Mission, Washington, United States of America ; closing date July 6, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14726/54.

School Supplies (Books, Pencils, etc.) for the Central Foreign Purchasing Board, Bagdad, **Iraq** ; closing date July 20, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15289/54.

Construction of the Bagdad-Baiji-Mosul Road for the Development Board, Government of Iraq, Bagdad, **Iraq** ; closing date July 28, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15288/54.

N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contracts : Fuel Oil Storage Project at Cagliani, Italy (additional information) ; closing date August 31, 1954. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 7552/54.

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N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contract: Construction of an Underground Workshop at La Spezia, Italy; closing date not yet available. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 15182/54.

N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contracts: Construction of Power Station at La Spezia, Italy; closing date not yet announced. Tender documents not available in Branch. Reference E.S.B. 15183/54.

N.A.T.O. Infrastructure Contracts: Work on Airfields in Netherlands; closing date not yet announced. Tender documents not available in the Branch. Reference E.S.B. 15411/54.

Pencils for the Post and Telegraph Department, Wellington, **New Zealand**; closing date August 10, 1954. Tender documents available for inspection and a copy available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14974/54.

Galvanized Steel Stay Wire for Post and Telegraph Department, Wellington, **New Zealand**; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14795/54.

Spring Balances and Platform Scales for supply to Pakistan for the General Services Administration, Washington, United States of America; closing date July 6, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15327/54.

Portable Diesel Driven Single Operator Arc Welding Plants for the Karachi Port Trust (Engineering Department), Karachi, **Pakistan**; closing date July 26, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15297/54.

Complete Plant for a Cane Sugar Mill for Industrial Development Corporation, Karachi, **Pakistan**; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14876/54.

Diesel Electric Generators for the Procurement Office U.S.O.M./1, Tehran, **Persia**; closing date July 20, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15249/54.

Sugar Machinery for Persia; closing date August 1, 1954. Tender documents in Arabic and French available for inspection until July 6, after then available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14920/54.

Gums for Iranian Tobacco Monopoly Institute, Tehran, **Persia**; closing date July 21, 1954. Tender documents available for loan (one copy in Arabic). Reference E.S.B. 15379/54.

Bobbins and Gummed Paper Tapes for the Iranian Tobacco Monopoly Institute, Tehran, **Persia**; closing date July 19, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15378/54.

Spare Parts for Radio Type "Bussola Bendix MN-31" and "Pratt & Whitney Twin Wasp" Engines for Ports, Railways and Transport Department, Lourenco Marques, **Portuguese East Africa**; (see *Board of Trade Journal* of June 12, 1954, page 1293). Amendment. Reference E.S.B. 13985/54.

Locomotives for Portuguese East Africa for the Directorate General of Overseas Development, Lisbon; closing date August 26, 1954. Tender documents not available in Branch. Reference E.S.B. 14774/54.

On-Load Tap Changing Equipment for the Electricity Department, City of Bulawayo, **Southern Rhodesia**; closing date July 7, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14827/54.

Various Accessories for Police Uniforms for the Union Tender and Supplies Board, Pretoria, **South Africa**; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14756/54.

Hydraulic Press for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14751/54.

Sand Blasting Plant for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14754/54.

Brake Drum Castings for C.C.F. Brill Coaches for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14752/54.

Tube Butt Welding Machines for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 29, 1954. Tender documents available for inspection until June 30, after then available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15004/54.

Hacksawing Machine for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 20, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15002/54.

Drilling Machine for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 20, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15001/54.

Erection of Pneumatic Tube System at the Cape Town and Durban National Airports for the Union Tender and Supplies Board, Pretoria, **South Africa**; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14772/54.

Pumps for the Union Tender and Supplies Board, Pretoria, **South Africa**; closing date August 19, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15278/54.

Phosphor Bronze Bar and Sheet for South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 29, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15006/54.

Edging Machine for the Union Tender and Supplies Board, Pretoria, **South Africa**; closing date July 22, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14757/54.

Sawing Machine for the Stores Department, South African Railways, **South Africa**; closing date July 29, 1954. Tender documents available for inspection until June 30, after then available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15005/54.

Hydraulic Bush Press (postponement of closing date) for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date postponed until July 29, 1954. Reference E.S.B. 12761/54.

Burnishing Lathe for the Stores Department, South African Railways, Johannesburg, **South Africa**; closing date July 29, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15003/54.

Supersulphated, Metallurgical Cement for Beervlei Dam for the Union Tender and Supplies Board, Pretoria, **South Africa**; closing date August 19, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15267/54.

Barathea and Whipcord Cloths for the Union Tender and Supplies Board, Pretoria, **South Africa**; closing date July 15, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15266/54.

Galvanized Steel Wire for the Administracion Municipal de Transportes Colectivos de Montevideo, **Uruguay**; closing date July 28, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14839/54.

Fully Threaded Bolts, Nuts and Bolts for the Administracion Nacional de Combustibles, Alcohol y Portland (A.N.C.A.P.), **Uruguay**; closing date July 9, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14845/54.

Apparatus and Accessories for Cardiology for the Ministerio de Salud Publica, Montevideo, **Uruguay**; closing date August 2, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15388/54.

Rock Drilling Machines, Accessories and Spares for Administracion Nacional de Combustibles, Montevideo, **Uruguay**; closing date August 24, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14852/54.

X-Ray Apparatus and Accessories for Ministerio de Salud Publica, Montevideo, **Uruguay**; closing date August 2, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15405/54.

Machinery for the City of Paysandu Waterworks for the Obras Sanitarias del Estado, Montevideo, **Uruguay**; closing date September 16, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15407/54.

Pneumatic Tyred Trolley for the Administracion Nacional de Combustibles, Alcohol y Portland (A.N.C.A.P.), **Uruguay**; closing date September 1, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15406/54.

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Tin in Bars for the Administracion Municipal de Transportes Colectivos de Montevideo, **Uruguay**; closing date July 21, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14849/54.

Oils and Lubricating Greases for the Administracion General de las Usinas Electricas y los Telefonos del Estado, **Uruguay**; closing date August 3, 1954. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15404/54.

Hollow-Jet Valves for Outlet Works at Palisades Dam for the United States Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, **United States of America**; closing date July 6, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 14742/54.

Autotransformer for the Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, **United States of America**; closing date July 8, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15082/54.

Bulkhead Gate Frames and Anchorage for the United States Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, **United States of America**; closing date July 6, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15321/54.

Interrupter Switches and Air Switches for the United States Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, **United States of America**; closing date July 8, 1954. Tender documents available for loan. Reference E.S.B. 15318/54.

Export Opportunities, Market Surveys, Etc.

United Kingdom firms interested in the export opportunities, market surveys, etc., referred to below, can obtain further information on application to the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 4411, Ext. 780 and 779.)

Australia
Inquiry for office machinery. (Ref.: Com. 9214.)

Austria
Openings for United Kingdom manufacturers of machinery. (Ref.: Com. 9186.)

Belgium
Agency inquiry for battery operated flashlights, torches and hand lamps. (Ref.: Com. 9201.)
Economic report, April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3572.)

British East Africa
Economic report, quarter ended March 31, 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3555.)

British West Indies
Agency inquiry for pottery tableware. (Ref: Com. 9192.)
Inquiry for wax cups and cardboard containers filling and sealing machine. (Ref.: Com. 9202.)

Burma
Import regulations. (Ref.: Gen. 1094D.)
Development programme. (Ref.: Gen. 1311.)

Canada
Inquiry for United Kingdom manufacturers of television, antennae and related accessories. (Ref.: Com. 9187.)
Market digest on woven piece-goods of rayon and other synthetic fibres. (Ref.: Com. 9193.)
Agency inquiry for wood-working machinery. (Ref.: Com. 9198.)
Inquiry for metal ironing tables. (Ref.: Com. 9211.)
Inquiry for hydraulic control valves. (Ref.: Com. 9218.)

Colombia
Economic report, March–April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3574.)
Inquiry for fire fighting equipment. (Ref.: Com. 9203.)
Inquiry for rock quarrying machinery. (Ref.: Com. 9213.)

Costa Rica
Economic report, January–March 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3563.)

Cuba
Agency inquiry for wall tiles, sanitary ware and copper tubes. (Ref.: Com. 9181.)
Inquiry for linen yarn. (Ref.: Com. 9188.)

France/Germany
Trade Agreement (Amendment). (Ref.: Gen 1296A.)

France/Italy
Trade Agreement. (Ref.: Gen. 1305.)

France/Portugal
Trade Agreement. (Ref.: Gen. 1303.)

Germany
German Industries Fair—Hanover. (Ref.: Gen. 1306.)
Agency inquiry for fine knitwear and plastic foils. (Ref.: Com. 9199.)
Agency inquiry for raw materials for the soap, margarine and paint industry. (Ref.: Com. 9210.)
Inquiry for gloves and stockings. (Ref.: Com. 9212.)
Economic report, April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3573.)
Import Committee Publication No. 2409. (Ref.: Mar. 850/475.)
Import Committee Publication No. 2416. (Ref.: Mar. 850/476.)

Hong Kong
Inquiry for gift items and novelties for the Christmas trade. (Ref.: Com. 9191.)

Iceland
Economic report, March–April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3579.)

Iraq
Report on agricultural machinery. (Ref.: Com. 9206.)

Italy/Spain
Trade Agreement (Amendment). (Ref.: Gen. 1291A.)

Latin America
Use of the $ sign in certain Latin-American countries. (Ref.: Gen. 1312.)

Netherlands/Israel
Trade Agreement. (Ref.: Gen. 1309.)

New Zealand
Agency inquiry for textile piece-goods. (Ref.: Com. 9221.)

Pakistan
Inquiry for hardwood timber. (Ref.: Com. 9215.)

Portugal
Agency inquiry for steel in sheets and bars, tinplate and sweets. (Ref.: Com. 9189.)

Portuguese West Africa
Agency inquiry for sanitary ware. (Ref.: Com. 9216.)

Saudi Arabia
Information regarding the media available to advertisers. (Ref.: Com. 9195.)
Economic report, February–April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3568.)

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Export Opportunities—(*Continued*)

South Africa

Report on the market for heavy electrical equipment. (Ref.: Com. 9155.)

Agency inquiry for Wilton carpets and linoleum. (Ref.: Com. 9196.)

Inquiry for dough mixing machines for bread. (Ref.: Com. 9217.)

Spain

Economic report, May 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3571.)

Sweden

Economic report, April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3561.)

Switzerland

Inquiry for educational toys. (Ref.: Com. 9209.)

Economic report, May 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3577.)

Thailand

Economic report, April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3570.)

United States of America

Inquiry for surgeons' rubber gloves. (Ref.: Com. 9184.)

Inquiry for various electrical domestic and industrial appliances. (Ref.: Com. 9190.)

Inquiry for specialized oil field tools. (Ref.: Com. 9197.)

Inquiry for babies' knitted lisle vests. (Ref.: Com. 9200.)

Inquiry for sanitary earthenware, plumbing fixtures and toilet sets. (Ref.: Com. 9204.)

Inquiry for pearl coloured chrome tan split cowhide. (Ref.: Com. 9207.)

Inquiry for low priced gift items. (Ref.: Com. 9208.)

Inquiry for cast iron frying pans. (Ref.: Com. 9219.)

Agency inquiry for fancy glassware. (Ref.: Com. 9220.)

Economic report, April 1954. (Ref.: Mar. 3569.)

Inquiry for bakery decorations and wedding cake ornaments, decorative embossed plastic and metal boxes. (Ref.: Com. 9224.)

Venezuela

Agency inquiry for haberdashery, belts imitation leather. (Ref.: Com. 9205.)

Businessmen Going Abroad

THE BOARD OF TRADE will, if told in good time, advise overseas posts about the impending visit of any United Kingdom business man. Trade officers abroad, who know the local business community well, will prepare the ground as far as possible; for example, assemble material, arrange introductions to individuals or make it possible for the visitor to meet selected groups. They will tell him about local conditions and trading methods, and can often help him to get local publicity if he wants it. Advance notice of the proposed itinerary and the purpose of the visit should, if possible, be sent to Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1, or to the appropriate Regional Office of the Board. But in any event overseas officers are always glad to see British visitors and to give them all possible assistance.

United Kingdom Commercial Representatives Overseas

HER MAJESTY'S Vice-Consulate at Bologna has been up-graded to Consulate and Mr. J. A. Forward became Her Majesty's Consul there with effect from May 1, 1954. The post will continue to be under the superintendance of Her Majesty's Consul-General at Milan.

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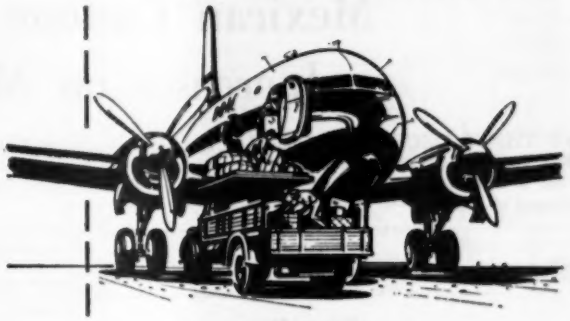

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Tariff, Customs and Import Regulations

Mexican Customs Tariff Amendments: Increases on Many Luxury Goods

BY THREE DECREES published in the Mexican *Diario Oficial* on June 4 and effective from June 11, 1954, the import duties on a wide range of luxury and less essential goods have been increased as follows :—

Tariff No.	Description	Units	New Duties Specific	New Duties *Ad val.*
				Pesos Per cent.
	First Decree			
9.52.00	Passenger motor vehicles of all kinds when the official price or the invoice value (whichever is the greater) of each is up to pesos 25,000	Each	2,000 +	40
9.52.01	Cancelled.			
9.52.02	Passenger motor vehicles of all kinds, when the official price or the invoice value (whichever is the greater) is over pesos 25,000, but not exceeding pesos 40,000...	Each	3,000 +	70
9.52.03	The same, when valued over 40,000, but not exceeding pesos 55,000	Each	6,000 +	85
9.52.04	The same when valued over pesos 55,000	Each	10,000 +	100
	Second Decree			
1.29.70	Loose pearls	G.N.	3·00 +	100
1.31.00	Bags, brief cases and purses, of leather and of other materials, of all sorts, wholly or partly covered with leather, weighing each up to 1 kilogram, also if lined with material other than silk	K.L.	30·00 +	100
1.31.01	Bags, brief cases and purses, of leather and of other materials, of all sorts, wholly or partly covered with leather, weighing each up to 1 kilogram, with lining containing silk	K.L.	30·00 +	100
1.31.19	Manufactures n.s.m., of hides and skins, tanned with the hair	K.L.	100·00 +	100
1.32.09	Wearing apparel, also separate parts thereof, of leather or of hide or skin without the hair, n.s.m.	K.L.	30·00 +	100
1.32.10	Wearing apparel, also separate parts thereof, of leather or of hide or skin with the hair, lined or ornamented with fabrics containing silk	K.L.	400·00 +	100
1.32.11	Wearing apparel, also separate parts thereof, of leather or of hide or skin with the hair, lined or ornamented with fabrics not containing silk	K.L.	100·00 +	100
1.40.00	Fans of ivory, of all sorts, with or without ornaments or accessories of gold, silver or platinum	Unit	40·00 +	100
1.40.09	Articles of ivory or bone, n.s.m....	K.L.	40·00 +	100
1.40.10	Fans of tortoise-shell, of all sorts, with or without ornaments or accessories of gold, silver or platinum ...	Unit	40·00 +	100
1.40.19	Articles n.s.m., of tortoise-shell or horn of all sorts ...	K.L.	3·00 +	100
1.40.20	Fans of mother-of-pearl, of all sorts, with or without ornaments or accessories of gold, silver or platinum ...	Unit	40·00 +	100
1.40.29	Articles n.s.m., of mother-of-pearl or coral of all sorts ...	K.L.	30·00 +	100
1.50.00	Stuffed birds, for trimming wearing apparel or hats ...	K.L.	100·00 +	100
1.50.10	Manufactures of all sorts, of feathers mounted on spun wares or fabrics containing or not silk	K.L.	100·00 +	100
2.61.30	Wooden toys of all sorts	K.L.	9·00 +	100
2.61.41	Curtains consisting of strung beads and bamboo or wood	K.G.	1·00 +	100
2.61.50	Articles of wood, gilt, silvered or bronzed, or with metal ornaments or inlaid work of all sorts, n.s.m.	K.L.	2·00 +	100
2.70.00	Billiard tables of all sorts, also separate parts thereof, n.s.m.	K.L.	10·00 +	75
3.30.00	Diamonds and emeralds, cut	G.N.	250·00 +	100
3.30.01	Rubies and sapphires, cut	G.N.	60·00 +	100
3.30.10	Amethysts, garnets and topazes, cut	G.N.	18·00 +	100
3.30.11	Opals, cut	G.N.	0·20 +	100
3.30.12	Fine stones n.s.m., cut, and synthetic or reconstructed stones	G.N.	18·00 +	100
3.32.10	Articles of vitrified clay, n.s.m.	K.G.	2·00 +	75
3.32.11	Articles of vitrified clay, decorated with gold, silver or with colours, and those mounted or set in base metal, gilt or silvered	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.32.12	Articles of non-vitrified clay, n.s.m., even mounted or set in base metal	K.G.	1·00 +	60
3.32.14	Crockery of clay, vitrified or not, not decorated with gold, silver or with colours, even intended as toys ...	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.32.71	Articles of plaster or stucco, glazed, of all kinds ...	K.G.	1·00 +	100
3.33.00	Articles of faïence, n.s.m.	K.G.	1·50 +	60
3.33.01	Crockery of faïence, decorated or not with gold, silver or with colours, even for use as toys	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.33.02	Articles of faïence, decorated with gold, silver or with colours, or mounted or set in base metal, even gilt or silvered	K.G.	6·00 +	100
3.33.10	Porcelain ware n.s.m., even mounted or set in base metal, neither gilt or silvered, or gilt or silvered ...	K.G.	6·00 +	100
3.33.11	Crockery of porcelain, undecorated or decorated with gold, or with colours, even for use as toys ...	K.G.	16·00 +	100
3.40.20	Jewellery and all sorts of manufactures, of gold or platinum or of both metals or gold-plated, with fine pearls, diamonds, emeralds, rubies or sapphires ...	G.N.	45·00 +	100
3.40.21	Jewellery and all sorts of manufactures, of gold or platinum or of both metals or gold-plated, with precious stones, n.s.m.	G.N.	25·00 +	100
3.40.22	Jewellery and all sorts of manufactures, of gold or platinum or of both metals, without pearls or precious stones	G.N.	15·00 +	100
3.40.24	Jewellery and all sorts of manufactures, of false metal covered with gold, without pearls or precious stones...	G.N.	1·50 +	100
3.41.11	Spoons, knives or forks, of silver or with silver handles	G.L.	0·50 +	100
3.41.20	Jewellery and all sorts of manufactures, of silver with precious stones or pearls	G.N.	5·00 +	100
3.41.22	Jewellery and all sorts of manufactures, of silver, without pearls or precious stones	G.N.	0·40 +	100
3.52.31	Ornamental wares, such as jewel cases, statues, empty cases, bouquet holders, dishes and articles such as ash trays, inkstands, etc., of tin, antimony, lead and zinc, or of any alloy of these metals, of all sorts, n.s.m.	K.L.	10·00 +	100
3.56.00	Jewellery of bloodstone, agate, amber, jet, tortoise-shell, shell, coral, ivory, mother-of-pearl, leather or of fabrics of all sorts, in any proportion, with parts of false metal, even gilt or silvered	K.L.	140·00 +	100
3.56.01	Jewellery of false metal or its alloys, gilt or silvered ...	K.L.	140·00 +	100
3.56.02	Jewellery of false metal or its alloys, neither gilt nor silvered	K.L.	50·00 +	100
3.56.03	Jewellery, except of bloodstone, agate, amber, jet, tortoise-shell, shell, coral, ivory, mother-of-pearl, leather or of fabrics of all sorts, with parts of gilt or silvered false metal	K.L.	140·00 +	100
3.56.04	Jewellery, except of bloodstone, agate, amber, jet, tortoise-shell, shell, coral, ivory, mother-of-pearl, leather or fabrics of all sorts, with parts of false metal neither gilt nor silvered	K.L.	125·00 +	100
3.56.40	Automatic toys or dolls, electric, spring or steam, of all kinds	K.L.	15·00 +	100
3.56.41	Toys of common metal, of all kinds, n.s.m.	K.L.	12·00 +	100
5.04.30	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of cotton fabric, even with beads, ornaments, mountings or embroideries, of all sorts, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	8·00 +	75
5.14.30	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with beads, ornaments, mountings or embroideries, of all sorts, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme ...	K.L.	8·00 +	75
5.22.10	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	2·00 +	50
5.34.10	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of artificial fibres, even with beads or mountings of all sorts, even with silk ornaments or embroideries, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.34.11	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, even with beads or mountings of all sorts, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	45·00 +	100
5.44.10	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with beads or mountings of all sorts and with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	25·00 +	100
5.54.10	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of silk fabric, even with ornaments or embroideries of any fibre, even with beads or mountings of all sorts, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	80·00 +	100
5.64.10	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with beads or mountings of all sorts, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	45·00 +	100
5.70.20	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of fabric of fibres of all sorts, rubbered, oiled or waxed, with externally invisible fibres, even with mountings of any kind, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	8·00 +	75
5.81.00	Half masks and masks for disguise, of fabric of silk or of other material, even with mountings of all sorts ...	Unit	1·00 +	100
5.82.00	Advertisements on fabric of any fibres, even with mountings, frames or rods of all sorts	K.L.	12·00 +	75
5.86.00	Artificial flowers of fabric, even containing silk ...	K.L.	8·00 +	100
5.86.10	Artificial plants, without flowers, of fabric containing silk or not	K.L.	1·50 +	75
5.86.11	Artificial plants, with flowers, of fabric containing silk or not	K.L.	6·00 +	75
5.87.00	Toys of fabric not containing silk, stuffed with any material, even with ornaments of all sorts	K.L.	8·00 +	100
5.87.10	Toys of fabric containing silk, stuffed with any material, even with ornaments of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	100
5.89.00	Wreaths and other articles n.s.m., made of artificial flowers of fabric containing silk or not	K.L.	1·00 +	75
5.89.02	Baskets, pots and other wares of all sorts, containing artificial flowers of fabric containing silk or not ...	K.L.	4·50 +	75
6.50.00	Perfumed oils	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.50.10	Cosmetics, perfumed or not	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.50.11	Toilet creams and pomatums perfumed or not ...	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.51.10	Complexion milks, perfumed or not.	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.51.11	Toilet lotions, perfumed or not.	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.52.10	Toilet powders, perfumed or not	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.52.11	Incense in any form	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.52.20	Hair dyes, perfumed or not	K.L.	30·00 +	75
6.59.00	Alcoholic or ethereal solutions of aromatic principles of flowers or of synthetic imitation products thereof, regardless of the proportion of said products	K.L.	3·00 +	75

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Mexican Tariff Amendments—(*Continued*)

Tariff No.	Description	Unit	New Duties Specific	New Duties *Ad val.*
			Pesos	Per cent.
6.59.10	Cases or sets, of all sorts, fitted with perfumery articles, even containing soaps	K.L.	3·00 +	75
6.59.90	Toilet products n.s.m., perfumed or not	K.L.	3·00 +	75
7.41.10	Toys of celluloid, of all sorts, n.s.m.	K.L.	12·00 +	100
7.41.11	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of celluloid, even with mountings of all sorts, or with parts of fabrics whose fibres are invisible on the outside, lined with fabrics of any fibre, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	8·00 +	100
7.43.22	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of rubber, even with mountings of all sorts, or with parts of fabrics whose fibres are invisible on the outside, lined with fabrics of any fibre, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme ...	K.L.	8·00 +	100
7.43.60	Rubber toys of any kind, n.s.m.	K.L.	12·00 +	100
7.44.21	Toys of casein or of synthetic resins, n.s.m.	K.L.	12·00 +	100
7.44.22	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses of synthetic resins, n.s.m., even with mountings of all kinds, or with parts of fabrics whose fibres are invisible on the outside, with linings of fabrics of any fibre, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	12·00 +	100
7.56.60	Toys of paperboard or paper of all sorts, n.s.m. ...	K.L.	9·00 +	100
7.56.75	Handbags, pocketbooks and purses, of paper not spun so as to form fabrics, even with mountings of all sorts or linings of fabrics of any fibre, weighing each up to 1 kilogramme	K.L.	6·00 +	100
7.90.20	Trunks, valises and chests, of all sorts, n.s.m., weighing each more than 1 kilogramme	K.L.	9·00 +	75
7.90.21	Cases, except those of or wholly or partly covered with leather or skin, with sewing or toilet requisites, of all sorts, n.s.m., weighing each more than 1 kilogramme	K.L.	9·00 +	75
7.90.22	Cases or etuis, fitted, n.s.m., weighing each more than 1 kilogramme	K.L.	9·00 +	75
7.90.30	Moulded masks for disguise, n.s.m.	Unit	1·00 +	75
7.90.40	Belts, n.s.m., of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	100
7.90.82	Dolls of celluloid or rubber, also separate parts thereof, dressed or not	K.L.	12·00 +	100
7.90.83	Dolls of any material, n.s.m., of all sorts, dressed or not	K.L.	12·00 +	100
7.91.00	Wax vestas and other matches of any kind	K.L.	25·00 +	100
8.40.01	Wireless receivers, with cabinet	K.L.	18·00 +	100
8.40.02	Wireless receivers, without cabinet	K.L.	13·00 +	75
8.40.04	Television receivers, with cabinet	K.L.	18·00 +	100
8.40.05	Television receivers, without cabinet, or frames thereof with one or more assembled parts	K.L.	12·50 +	75
8.40.06	Television receivers combined with a wireless receiver or a gramophone or both	K.L.	18·00 +	100
9.10.00	Phonographic apparatus of all sorts	K.L.	13·00 +	100
9.10.01	Phonographic apparatus combined with wireless sets ...	K.L.	18·00 +	100
9.11.11	Roulette and other mechanical contrivances, of all sorts, in which chance plays a part and for use in waging bets, n.s.m., also contrivances other than automatic vendors	K.L.	40·00 +	100
9.30.01	Automatic pianos of all sorts	Unit	25·00 +	50
9.40.10	Pocket and wrist watches, repeating, with gold or platinum cases, or simply gilt or gold plated with parts or inlays of gold	Unit	55·00 +	65
9.40.20	Pocket watches other than repeating, with gold or platinum cases	Unit	25·00 +	25
9.40.21	Wrist watches other than repeating, with gold or platinum cases (1)	Unit	15·00 +	25
9.41.00	Watch cases with pearls or precious stones for pocket and wrist watches (1)	Each case pays an additional duty of 100 per cent. on the value of the stones.		
9.41.01	Gold or platinum cases, for pocket watches	Unit	20·00 +	25
9.41.02	Gold or platinum cases, for wrist watches (1)	Unit	12·00 +	25
9.41.30	Watch bracelets of false or precious metal, with precious, semi-precious or synthetic pearls or stones...	Each bracelet pays an additional duty of 100 per cent. on the value of the stones.		
9.41.31	Watch bracelets of gold or platinum or of these two metals	G.N.	6·00 +	50
9.55.51	Tricycles and small cars of all sorts, for children ...	K.L.	8·00 +	75

Third Decree

Tariff No.	Description	Unit	New Duties Specific	New Duties *Ad val.*
1.21.00	Caviar	K.L.	2·00 +	100
1.22.16	Cheese of any kind	K.L.	2·00 +	50
2.12.10	Tea	K.L.	1·00 +	100
2.13.35	Nuts, without the shell, n.s.m.	K.G.	1·00 +	50
2.14.10	Biscuits, covered, ornamented or filled with paste having a sugar or fruit basis	K.L.	5·00 +	100
2.14.12	Biscuits containing soda	K.L.	4·00 +	100
2.40.22	Chocolate	K.L.	5·00 +	100
2.40.33	Pastilles of chicle, without addition of medicinal substances	K.L.	5·00 +	100
2.40.34	Perfumed breath pastilles or pellets, even with addition of gum, of lichen or of liquorice	K.L.	5·00 +	100
2.61.51	Articles of wood, n.s.m.	K.L.	1·75 +	70
2.70.10	Armchairs of all classes when containing visible parts of wood	K.L.	7·00 +	100
2.71.00	Furniture of fine or common wood, n.s.m., gilt, silvered or bronzed, also furniture with metal ornaments or with inlaid work of all sorts, or with fabric containing silk, even if trimmed with hide or skin	K.L.	8·00 +	100
2.71.10	Furniture of fine wood or of common wood veneered with fine wood, n.s.m., not upholstered, without inlaid work, metal ornaments or fabric containing silk, even if trimmed with hide or skin	K.L.	8·00 +	100
2.71.11	Furniture of fine wood or of common wood veneered with fine wood, n.s.m., upholstered, without inlaid work, metal ornaments or fabric containing silk, even if trimmed with hide or skin	K.L.	8·00 +	100
2.71.20	Furniture of common wood, n.s.m., not upholstered, without inlaid work, metal ornaments or fabric containing silk, even if trimmed with hide or skin ...	K.L.	6·00 +	100
2.71.21	Furniture of common wood, n.s.m., upholstered, without inlaid work, metal ornaments or fabric containing silk, even if trimmed with hide or skin ...	K.L.	6·00 +	100
2.72.00	Furniture of osier, with skeleton or frame of wood of any kind	K.L.	0·70 +	70
2.72.01	Furniture of twisted paper, with skeleton or frame of any kind	K.L.	0·70 +	70
3.20.00	Amethysts, garnets, topazes and other fine stones, uncut	G.N.	0·15 +	15
3.20.01	Agate, rough	K.G.	1.40 +	15
3.20.03	Diamonds, emeralds, rubies and sapphires, uncut ...	G.N.	1·40 +	7
3.20.04	Opals and bloodstones, uncut	K.N.	0·15 +	15
3.31.14	Mosaics of clay or earth, not covered with a layer of fused materials, up to 15 millimetres in thickness and up to 7 centimetres on each side	K.G.	0·50 +	55
3.31.15	Mosaics of clay or earth, not covered with a layer of fused materials, n.s.m.	K.G.	0·10 +	25
3.31.90	Azulejos, of clay or earth, with layers of fused materials of a bright or dull white colour	K.G.	0·50 +	60
3.31.91	Azulejos of clay or earth, with layers of fused materials of uniform colour other than white	K.G.	0·15 +	60
3.31.92	Azulejos, of clay or earth, with layers of fused materials, with patterns or ornaments of colouring materials ...	K.G.	0·50 +	60
3.31.93	Azulejos, of clay or earth, with street names or with numbers	K.G.	0·50 +	60
3.31.94	Plates of fibro-cement, showing patterns or ornaments imitating azulejos	K.G.	0·50 +	60
3.34.30	Tiles, mosaics and roofing tiles, of glass	K.G.	0·15 +	35
3.34.61	Ornaments for Christmas cribs, of spun glass, of all kinds	K.G.	0·35 +	60
3.34.62	Beads of glass, transparent or of one single colour, loose or strung, without metal parts, unspecified	K.G.	0·60 +	100
3.34.63	Hollow pieces of glass, for decoration or for Christmas trees	K.G.	0·40 +	100
3.34.67	Glass beads and pieces of a nacreous aspect or in imitation of pearls, and beads of glass scum (espumilla) loose or strung, without metal parts, of all kinds for the manufacture of jewellery ...	K.G.	70·00 +	100
3.34.70	Glassware or crystal-ware, n.s.m., weighing up to 300 grammes	K.G.	2·00 +	100
3.34.71	Glassware or crystal-ware, n.s.m., weighing more than 300 grammes	K.G.	2·00 +	100
3.34.72	Glassware or crystal-ware, n.s.m., cut or engraved	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.34.73	Glassware or crystal-ware, n.s.m., decorated with gold, silver or with colours	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.34.74	Glassware or crystal-ware, n.s.m., mounted or set in base metal neither gilt nor silvered	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.34.75	Glassware or crystal-ware, n.s.m., mounted or set in gilt or silvered base metal	K.G.	4·00 +	100
3.40.25	Clasps and fastenings of gold and platinum, without pearls or precious stones, the net weight of which does not exceed 8 grammes each and when it is proved that they are intended for the manufacture of jewellery or bracelets for watches	G.N.	1·50 +	50
3.40.26	Clasps and fastenings of false metal, gold-plated, without pearls or precious stones, the net weight of which does not exceed 8 grammes each and when it is proved that they are intended for the manufacture of jewellery or bracelets for watches	G.N.	0·50 +	50
3.41.23	Clasps and fastenings of silver, without pearls or precious stones weighing not more than 8 grammes each and when it is proved that they are intended for the manufacture of jewellery or bracelets for watches	G.N.	0·20 +	50
3.54.51	Iron beds, also with parts or ornaments of brass ...	K.G.	1·00 +	85
3.54.53	Refrigerators of base metal, even enamelled, also those of wood of any kind, weighing up to 200 kilogrammes	K.L.	1·00 +	100
3.54.54	Refrigerators of base metal, even enamelled, also those of wood of any kind, weighing more than 200 kilogrammes	K.L.	0·60 +	60
3.54.56	Furniture, of iron or steel, weighing up to 20 kilogrammes, n.s.m.	K.G.	0·60 +	100
3.54.57	Furniture of iron or steel, weighing more than 20 kilogrammes, n.s.m.	K.L.	0·50 +	75
3.56.05	Clasps and fasteners of common metal, of all kinds, weighing each not more than 8 grammes and when it is proved that they are intended for the manufacture of jewellery or bracelets for watches ...	K.L.	20·00 +	50
3.92.00	Washstands, sinks, bidets and drinking fountains, of enamelled iron, weighing more than 5 kilogrammes, except taps and water conduits neither screwed nor fixed thereon	K.G.	1·00 +	75
3.92.01	Water-closets and urinals, of iron, enamelled or not, also detached parts and spares therefor not suitable for any other purpose	K.G.	1·00 +	75
3.92.02	Baths, of enamelled iron, weighing more than 5 but not more than 70 kilogrammes except taps and water conduits neither screwed nor fixed thereon ...	K.G.	1·50 +	75
3.92.03	Baths, of enamelled iron, weighing more than 70 kilogrammes, except taps and water conduits neither screwed nor fixed thereon	K.G.	1·00 +	75
3.92.10	Washstands, sinks, bidets, drinking fountains and baths, of clay faience or porcelain, weighing more than 5 kilogrammes, except taps and water conduits neither screwed nor fixed thereon	K.G.	1·00 +	75
3.92.11	Water-closets and urinals, of clay, faience or porcelain, also detached parts and spares therefor not suitable for any other purpose	K.G.	1·00 +	75
3.92.30	Armchairs of base metal of all kinds unspecified ...	K.L.	7·00 +	100

(1) Bracelets pay duty separately.

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Tariff No.	Description	Unit	New Duties Specific	New Duties *Ad val.*
			Pesos	Per cent.
4.10.00	Carpets of cotton, on cotton foundation, of twilled or figured weave, of corded or looped weave and with cut pile	K.L.	4·00 +	60
4.10.01	Carpets, of cotton, on a foundation of any other vegetable fibre excluding cotton, even containing threads of such material, of twilled or figured weave, of corded or looped weave and with cut pile	Square metre	4·00 +	60
4.20.00	Carpets of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, of twilled or figured weave, of corded or looped weave and with cut pile	K.L.	4·00 +	60
4.20.10	Carpets of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, with fringes or borders of cotton or wool	Square metre	4·00 +	60
4.30.00	Carpets of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres, of twilled or figured weave, of corded or looped weave and with cut pile	Square metre	4·00 +	60
4.30.10	Carpets of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres, except cotton, with fringes or borders of cotton or wool	Square metre	4·00 +	55
4.40.00	Carpets of artificial fibres, of twilled, corded or looped weave or with cut pile, on a foundation of any vegetable fibre except cotton, even if containing threads of that material	Square metre	6·00 +	75
4.40.10	Carpets of artificial fibres, on a foundation of any vegetable fibre except cotton, with fringes or borders of wool	Square metre	5·00 +	75
4.50.00	Carpets of beaten wool or of cow hair, and those of coarse fabric (jergs) of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, on a foundation of any vegetable fibre, except cotton, and even if the foundation contains threads of the last named material	Square metre	20·00 +	100
4.50.01	Carpets of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, of corded or looped weave, on a foundation of any vegetable fibre, except cotton, even if the foundation contains threads of the last named material ...	Square metre	30·00 +	100
4.50.02	Carpets of wool and of other animal fibres except silk, with cut pile, on a foundation of any vegetable fibre except cotton, even if the foundation contains threads of the last named material	Square metre	30·00 +	100
4.50.10	Carpets of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, of looped weave or with cut pile, on a foundation of cotton or wool, weighing up to 1,500 grammes per square metre	K.L.	15·00 +	100
4.50.11	Carpets of wool and other animal fibres, except silk, of looped weave or with cut pile, on a foundation of cotton or wool, weighing more than 1,500 grammes per square metre	Square metre	30·00 +	100
5.00.10	Manufactures of lace net and of tulle, of cotton, n.s.m., even with threads or with admixture of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	40·00 +	85
5.00.20	Handkerchiefs of fabric not containing silk, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk, with cotton lace ...	Unit	0·70 +	70
5.00.30	Manufactures of fabric of vegetable fibres with cotton lace, even if the cloth is embroidered with silk, or with beads or with an admixture of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	50·00 +	85
5.01.00	Socks and stockings of cotton hosiery, even with ornaments or embroideries	Pair	1·00 +	80
5.01.10	Apparel of cotton hosiery, n.s.m., even with ornaments or embroideries of silk, of any weight	K.L.	40·00 +	80
5.01.90	Manufactures of cotton hosiery, n.s.m., even with ornaments or embroideries of silk	K.L.	40·00 +	80
5.02.00	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers, of cotton fabric	K.L.	40·00 +	80
5.02.10	Neckties of cotton fabric, even with ornaments or embroideries not being of silk	K.L.	6·00 +	80
5.02.11	Neckties of cotton fabric, with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	8·00 +	80
5.02.30	Handkerchiefs of cotton fabric, embroidered with fibres of any kind not containing lace	Unit	1·00 +	80
5.02.32	Handkerchiefs of cotton fabric, n.s.m., cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.02.41	Kerchiefs of cotton fabric, n.s.m., cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.02.50	Shawls of cotton fabric	Square metre	7·00 +	80
5.02.60	Apparel, cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of cotton fabric other than plain weave, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other materials or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.02.61	Apparel, cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of cotton fabric of plain weave, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other materials or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	15.00 +	80
5.02.90	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of cotton fabric of plain weave, even with ornaments or embroideries not being of silk or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	35·00 +	80
5.02.91	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts, thereof, of cotton fabric of plain weave, with silk ornaments or embroideries, even with false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	35·00 +	80
5.02.92	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of cotton fabric other than plain weave, even with ornaments or embroideries not being of silk or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	35·00 +	80
5.03.00	Table covers and hangings, of cotton fabric, even with false metal of all sorts and with ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	35·00 +	80
5.03.10	Blankets of cotton fabric, napped	K.L.	9.00 +	80
5.03.20	Bedspreads of cotton fabric, not napped, woven with yarns	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.03.21	Bedspreads of cotton fabric, not napped, containing threads in any proportion	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.03.30	Curtains of cotton fabric, even with ornaments or embroideries of all sorts	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.03.31	Blinds of cotton fabric, prepared with oil or distemper...	K.L.	2·00 +	80
5.03.41	Tablecloths and serviettes of cotton fabric, cut, even hemmed	K.L.	10·00 +	80
5.03.42	Bed sheets of cotton fabric	K.L.	10·00 +	80
5.03.60	Towels of cotton fabric	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.03.90	Household linen and furnishing articles n.s.m., of cotton fabric, even with ornaments or embroideries of all sorts	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.04.90	Articles of cotton fabric, n.s.m., even with beads or false metal of all sorts even with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.05.00	Waistbands, garters and braces, of cotton fabrics, even with ornaments, embroideries or admixture of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	55
5.05.10	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of cotton fabrics, with or without busks, even with silk ornaments, embroideries or ribbons	K.L.	35·00 +	50
5.06.00	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with any material except feathers, and with cases of cotton fabrics, even with embroideries of silk or of other materials	K.L.	5·00 +	55
5.06.01	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with feathers and with cases of cotton fabrics, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or of other materials	K.L.	5·00 +	55
5.10.00	Manufactures of lace net and of tulle, of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres except cotton, even with beads or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	40·00 +	85
5.10.10	Handkerchiefs of fabric not containing silk, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk, with lace of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton ...	Unit	0·70 +	70
5.10.20	Manufactures of fabric of vegetable fibres, with lace of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk n.s.m	K.L.	50·00 +	85
5.10.21	Manufactures of fabric of vegetable fibres, with lace of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, with admixture of false metal of all sorts or of precious metal, in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk	K.L.	50·00 +	85
5.11.00	Socks and stockings, of hosiery of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with ornaments or embroideries	Pair	1·00 +	80
5.11.10	Apparel of hosiery of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, n.s.m., even with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	40·00 +	80
5.11.90	Manufactures of hosiery of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton n.s.m., with ornaments or embroideries of silk or of other material	K.L.	40·00 +	80
5.12.00	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers for men and boys of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton	K.L.	40·00 +	80
5.12.10	Neckties of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	10·00 +	80
5.12.30	Handkerchiefs of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, embroidered with fibres of all sorts, not containing lace	Unit	0·70 +	80
5.12.32	Handkerchiefs of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, n.s.m., cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.12.40	Apparel cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with ornaments or embroideries or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.12.90	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, plain weave, even with ornaments or embroideries or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	35·00 +	80
5.12.91	Apparel ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, other than plain weave, even with ornaments or embroideries or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	35·00 +	80
5.13.00	Table covers and hangings, of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres except cotton, even with false metal of all sorts and with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.13.10	Bedspreads of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton...	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.13.20	Curtains of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, prepared with oil or distemper	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.13.31	Tablecloths and serviettes, of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres except cotton, cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	10·00 +	80
5.13.32	Bed sheets of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton	K.L.	10·00 +	80
5.13.40	Towels of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton	K.L.	7·00 +	80
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5.15.00	Waistbands, garters and braces of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with ornaments or embroideries of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	55
5.15.10	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, with or without busks, even with silk ornaments, embroideries or ribbons	K.L.	35·00 +	50
5.16.00	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with any material other than feathers, with case of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, even with silk embroideries	K.L.	4·00 +	75
5.16.01	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with feathers, with case of fabric of flax and of other supple vegetable fibres, except cotton, with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	4·00 +	75
5.20.00	Apparel, cut out, of fabric of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres	K.L.	1·50 +	80
5.20.10	Apparel ready made, and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres	K.L.	1·50 +	80
5.21.00	Table covers, bedspreads, curtains, tablecloths, hangings, blinds and napkins, of fabric of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres	K.L.	0·70 +	80
5.21.10	Household linen and furnishing articles, n.s.m., of fabric of jute and of other stiff vegetable fibres	K.L.	0·70 +	80
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5.30.01	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of artificial fibres, even with ornaments or embroideries of any fibre not being silk, with admixture of precious metal or false metal of all sorts in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments or in the form of beads	K.L.	55·00 +	90
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5.30.21	Manufactures of fabric without admixture of silk, with lace of artificial fibres, or of fabric of artificial fibres with lace of any fibre except silk, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk and mixed with precious metal or false metal of all sorts in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments or in the form of beads	K.L.	55·00 +	90
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5.31.10	Apparel of hosiery of artificial fibres, n.s.m., even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	55·00 +	85
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5.32.00	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers of fabric of artificial fibres, for men and boys	K.L.	50·00 +	90
5.32.01	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers, of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, for men and boys	K.L.	35·00 +	90
5.32.10	Neckties of fabric of artificial fibres even with core, ornaments, embroideries, ribbons or elastics of silk or of other material	K.L.	50·00 +	90
5.32.11	Neckties of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, even with core, ornaments, embroideries, ribbons or elastic of silk or of other material	K.L.	35·00 +	90
5.32.30	Handkerchiefs of fabric of artificial fibres even with admixture of other fibre not being silk, embroidered with fibres of all sorts, not containing lace	Unit	1·00 +	85
5.32.32	Handkerchiefs of fabric of artificial fibres or with admixture of other fibre not being silk, n.s.m., cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	50·00 +	100
5.32.41	Kerchiefs of fabric of artificial fibres or with admixture of other fibre not being silk, cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	50·00 +	100
5.32.50	Shawls of fabric of artificial fibres, even with admixture of other fibre not being silk	Square metre	30·00 +	80
5.32.60	Apparel, cut out and not sewn, n.s.m. of fabric of artificial fibres, even with ornaments or embroideries or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	100
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5.33.00	Table covers and hangings of fabric of artificial fibres or with pile of the same fibre, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, even with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.33.01	Table covers and hangings, of fabric of artificial fibres or with pile with admixture of other fibre not being silk, in any proportion even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, even with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	40·00 +	90
5.33.10	Bedspreads of fabric of artificial fibres, woven with yarns	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.33.11	Bedspreads of fabric of artificial fibres containing threads in any proportion	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.33.12	Bedspreads of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, woven with yarns	K.L.	40·00 +	90
5.33.13	Bedspreads of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, containing threads in any proportion	K.L.	40·00 +	90
5.33.20	Curtains of fabric of artificial fibres even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.33.21	Curtains of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	40·00 +	90
5.33.90	Household linen and furnishing articles of fabric of artificial fibres, n.s.m., even with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.33.91	Household linen and furnishing articles of fabric of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, n.s.m., even with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	40·00 +	90
5.34.90	Articles of fabric of artificial fibres, n.s.m., even with beads or false metal of all sorts, even with silk ornaments or embroideries	K.L.	50·00 +	100
5.34.92	Articles of fabric of artificial fibres, with admixture of other fibre not being silk, n.s.m., even with beads or false metal of all sorts, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	35.00 +	100
5.35.00	Waistbands, garters and braces of fabrics of artificial fibres, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, even with admixture of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	20.00 +	55
5.35.01	Waistbands, garters and braces, of fabrics of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, even with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with admixture of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	55
5.35.10	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of fabrics of artificial fibres, with or without busks, even with ornaments, embroideries or ribbons of silk or other material	K.L.	35·00 +	70
5.35.11	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of fabrics of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, with or without busks, even with ornaments, embroideries or ribbons of silk or other material	K.L.	35·00 +	60
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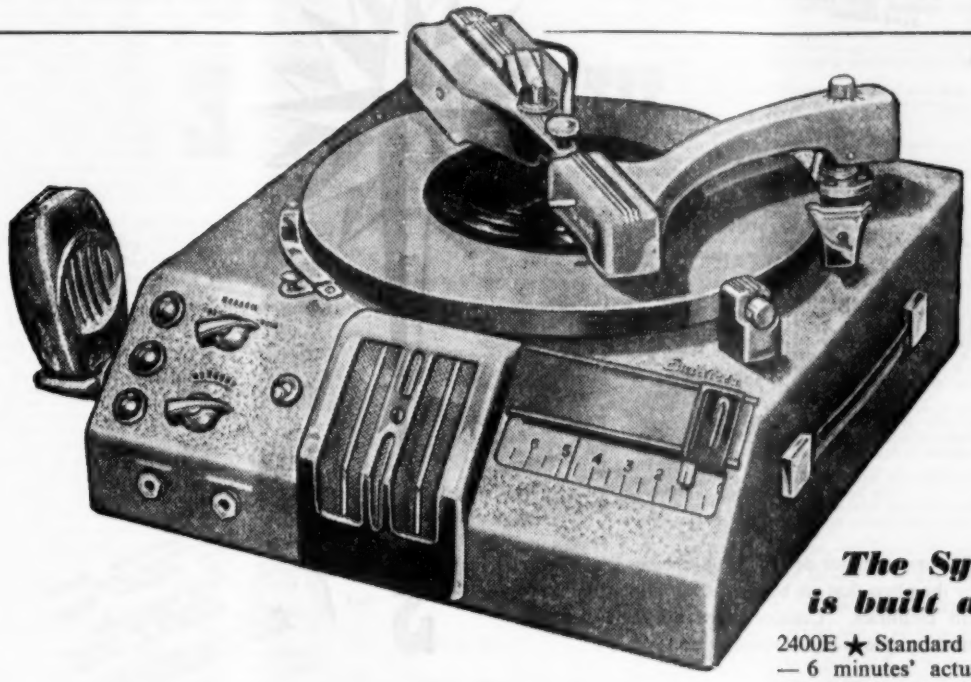

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5.36.00	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with any material not being feathers, with case of fabrics of artificial fibres, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material ...	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.36.01	Pillows, bolsters, cuchions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with feathers, with case of fabrics of artificial fibres, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.36.02	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with any material not being feathers, with case of fabrics of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, even with embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.36.03	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with any material not being feathers, with case of fabrics of artificial fibres with admixture of other fibre not being silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.40.00	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with beads of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.40.01	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of wool and other animal fibres, except silk, with admixture of false metal of all sorts or of precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments or in the form of beads ...	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.40.10	Manufactures of fabric without admixture of silk with lace of wool and other animal fibres, except silk, even with beads of all kinds, even if the cloth is embroidered with silk	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.40.11	Manufactures of fabric without admixture of silk, with lace of wool and other animal fibre, except silk, with admixture of false metal of all sorts or of precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments or in the form of beads, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk ...	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.40.12	Manufactures of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, with lace of vegetable fibres, even with beads of all sorts, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.40.13	Manufactures of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, with lace of vegetable fibres and with admixture of false metal of all sorts or of precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments, even if the fabric is embroidered with silk	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.41.00	Socks and stockings, of hosiery of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with ornaments or embroideres of silk	Pair	3·00 +	85
5.41.01	Socks and stockings, of hosiery of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, with silk ornaments or embroideries	Pair	4·00 +	85
5.41.10	Apparel of hosiery of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, n.s.m., even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or false metal of all kinds	K.L.	50·00 +	85
5.41.90	Manufactures of hosiery of wool and of other animal fibres, except of silk, n.s.m., even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or false metal of all kinds ...	K.L.	50·00 +	85
5.42.00	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers, for men and boys, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk	K.L.	50·00 +	90
5.42.10	Neckties of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with embroideries of other materials or of silk	K.L.	35·00 +	90
5.42.31	Kerchiefs of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	8·00 +	100
5.42.40	Shawls of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres except silk	Sq.mtre.	15·00 +	85
5.42.50	Apparel, cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, woven with yarns, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, even with false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.42.51	Apparel, cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, containing in the texture threads in any proportion, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.42.90	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, woven with yarns, even with ornaments or embroideries not being of silk or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.42.91	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, woven with yarns, even with silk ornaments or embroideries or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.42.92	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, containing in the texture threads in any proportion, even with ornaments or embroideries not being of silk or with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.42.93	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, containing in the texture threads in any proportion, with silk ornaments or embroideries, even with false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.43.00	Table covers and hangings of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with false metal of all sorts and ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	15·00 +	100
5.43.10	Blankets of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk	K.L.	15·00 +	100
5.43.11	Sarapes of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, imitating those of Saltillo	Sq.mtre.	30·00 +	100
5.43.20	Curtains of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	15·00 +	100
5.43.90	Household linen and furnishing articles, n.s.m., of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres except silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	15·00 +	100
5.44.90	Articles of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, n.s.m., even with beads or false metal of all sorts and with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	8·00 +	100
5.45.00	Waistbands, garters and braces of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material, even with admixture of false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	55
5.45.10	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, with or without busks, even with ornaments, embroideries or ribbons of silk or other material	K.L.	30·00 +	100
5.46.00	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses stuffed with any material other than feathers and with case of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.46.01	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with feathers and with case of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, with ornaments or embroideries of silk or other material	K.L.	7·00 +	80
5.48.10	Articles of human hair, n.s.m., and postiches and fabric of human hair for postiches	K.L.	30·00 +	75
5.50.00	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of silk even with ornaments or embroideries of any fibre and with beads of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.50.01	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of silk even with ornaments or embroideries of any fibre, with admixture of false metal of all sorts or of precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.50.10	Handkerchiefs of fabric of all sorts with silk lace, also those of silk fabric with lace of all sorts	Unit	4·00 +	100
5.50.20	Manufactures of fabric of all sorts with silk lace, even with ornaments or embroideries of any fibre, n.s.m., even with beads of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.50.21	Manufactures of fabric of all sorts, with silk lace and with admixture of false metal or of precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.50.22	Manufactures of silk fabric with lace of all sorts, even with beads of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.50.23	Manufactures of silk fabric with lace of all sorts, and with admixture of false metal or of precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.51.00	Socks and stockings, of hosiery of silk, even with ornaments or embroideries of all sorts	Pair	6·00 +	80
5.51.10	Apparel of hosiery of silk, n.s.m., even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	40·00 +	100
5.51.90	Manufactures of hosiery of silk, n.s.m., even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	40·00 +	100
5.52.00	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers of silk fabric, for men and boys	K.L.	50·00 +	90
5.52.10	Neckties of silk fabric, even with core, stiffening, ribbons or elastic or other material and ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	50·00 +	90
5.52.31	Handkerchiefs of silk fabric, n.s.m., cut out, even hemmed	K.L.	50·00 +	100
5.52.41	Kerchiefs of silk fabric, cut out, even hemmed ...	K.L.	50·00 +	100
5.52.50	Shawls of silk fabric	Sq.mtre.	75·00 +	100
5.52.60	Apparel cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	100
5.52.90	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.53.00	Table covers and hangings, of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	65·00 +	100
5.53.10	Bedspreads of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	65·00 +	100
5.53.20	Curtains of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	65·00 +	100
5.53.90	Household linen and furnishing articles, n.s.m., of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	65·00 +	100
5.54.90	Articles of silk fabric, n.s.m., even with ornaments or embroideries of any fibre, even with beads or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	50·00 +	100
5.55.00	Waistbands, garters and braces, of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	30·00 +	70
5.55.10	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of silk fabric with or without busks, even with ornaments, embroideries or ribbons of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	85
5.56.00	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with feathers or with any material other than feathers and with case of silk fabric, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	80
5.60.00	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of any fibre except silk, with admixture or embroideries of silk, even with beads of all sorts	K.L.	65·00 +	90

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Mexico Brings More Goods Under Import Control

BY A FURTHER Decree published in the Mexican *Diario Oficial* and in force June 5, 1954, all those articles listed in the six preceding pages are made subject to import licence if not already so, with the exception of Tariff items 7.72.22 and 9.55.51. In addition, the following items are added to the list of goods requiring prior import licence :—

Tariff No.	Description
3.29.12	Roman or Portland cement.
7.90.70	Pencil cases, fountain pens and penholders of compositions such as caseine, celluloid, gelatine, gutta percha, rubber, synthetic resins and the like.
7.90.73	Pencil cases, fountain pens and penholders of any material except fine metal, with parts of gold or gold plating.
7.90.74	Pencil cases, fountain pens and penholders of any material except fine metal, with silver parts.
8.23.34	Washing machine agitators of aluminium not coated with plastic, sides, bottoms (with or without feet), fronts, backs and covers, not enamelled or painted.
8.23.40	Beaters, liquefying apparatus and other kitchen utensils, n.s.m., motor-driven, also separate parts of liquefying apparatus, except motors.
8.31.20	Beaters, sifters, graters and other kitchen utensils, treadle or lever.
8.41.02	Electric heaters in the form of tableware.
8.41.10	Electric ovens and toasters.
8.41.15	Electric irons, unspecified.
8.41.20	Electric stoves of all kinds, when weighing up to 40 kilos each.
8.41.21	The same, when weighing over 40 kilos each.
8.59.18	Vacuum cleaners for floors and carpets.

Assembly of Passenger Cars

BY A DECREE published in the Mexican *Diario Oficial* on June 8, which entered into force on June 15, tariff heading 9.56.10, which refers to loose parts and material used in the assembly of passenger cars, has been amended as follows :—

In place of the single duty of 100 pesos per unit plus 3 per cent. *ad valorem* there are now three types of duties divided as follows :—

(a) If the cars are of the types and brands which come under tariff headings 9.52.00, 9.52.01 and 9.52.02, duties are 150 pesos per unit plus 4 per cent. *ad valorem*.

(b) If of the types and brands which come under tariff heading 9.52.03, duties are 300 pesos per unit plus 9 per cent. *ad valorem*.

(c) If of the types or brands which come under tariff heading 9.52.04, duties are 500 pesos per unit plus 12 per cent. *ad valorem*.

The rest of the text of tariff heading 9.56.10 remains exactly as before.

U.S. Inquiry into High Duty Items

THE UNITED STATES Tariff Commission have just made public a list of about 400 tariff items which they are including in a study ordered by the United States Senate, under Section 332 (G) of the Tariff Act of 1930, of those articles being imported into the United States on which the present duty, or its *ad valorem* equivalent, is 50 per cent. or higher.

The purpose of the study is to determine (1) the limit to which a modification or continuance of such rate of duty may be made or extended without causing or threatening serious injury to the domestic industry producing like or directly competitive articles ; and (2) the minimum increases in duties or additional import restrictions required if increases in duties or additional import restrictions are needed to avoid serious injury to the domestic industry producing like or directly competitive articles.

Public hearings have been ordered to begin at 10 a.m. on July 13, 1954, in the Hearing Room of the Tariff Commission Building, 8th and East Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. The Tariff Commission urge interested parties to present their information and views by written statements in lieu of appearances at the public hearing. Such statements must be under oath and should be submitted not later than July 13, 1954. Interested parties who wish to appear at the public hearings must file a written request with the Secretary of the Commission not later than July 1.

It is emphasized that this investigation is essentially a United States domestic study undertaken at the request of a Congressional Committee and it should not be assumed that the results of the investigation will necessarily be reflected in actions by the Administration or Congress. It is for the American importers rather than for the foreign exporters to make their case to the Tariff Commission but it is clearly desirable that United Kingdom manufacturers who are able to do so should make their views and any relevant facts known to their American importers.

Trade Associations have already been advised of the relevant tariff items which are being considered, but other interested parties who consider that they may be affected may obtain details of the tariff items involved from Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Tel. : Chancery 4411, Ext. 372.)

Tagua

In the torrid coastal region of Ecuador there grows a palm fern — the tagua. The nuts of the tagua, when dried and cut, yield a material closely resembling ivory, which can be carved and polished to make buttons, collar studs and many other useful and decorative articles. Tagua nuts are shipped to European markets from the port of Guayaquil. Here, as in most other important commercial centres in Latin America, a branch of the Bank of London and South America has long been established.

From Guayaquil, and from the Bank's 52 other branches in South and Central America, come regular reports on local produce markets, economic conditions, and changes in trading regulations and exchange control. Summaries of these reports are published in the Bank's *Fortnightly Review*, an invaluable guide for all who wish to enter Latin American markets, whether as buyers or sellers. We shall be glad to send you a specimen copy, on application to :—

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Mexican Tariff Amendments—(*Continued*)

Tariff No.	Description	Unit	New Duties Specific	New Duties *Ad val.*
			Pesos	Per cent.
5.60.01	Manufactures of lace, net and tulle, of any fibre except silk, with admixture or embroideries of silk, and with false metal of all sorts or with precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments	K.L.	65·00 +	90
5.60.10	Handkerchiefs of silk fabric with admixture of other fibre and with lace, even mixed or embroidered with silk	Unit	3·00 +	90
5.60.20	Manufactures of fabric not containing silk, with lace of any fibre, except silk, mixed or embroidered with silk, n.s.m., even with beads of all sorts	K.L.	65·00 +	90
5.60.21	Manufactures of fabric not containing silk, with lace of any fibre, except silk, mixed or embroidered with silk and with false metal and with precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments even with beads	K.L.	65·00 +	90
5.60.22	Manufactures of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre and with lace of any fibre except silk, mixed or embroidered with silk, n.s.m., even with beads of all sorts	K.L.	65·00 +	90
5.60.23	Manufactures of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre and with lace of any fibre except silk, mixed or embroidered with silk and with false metal or with precious metal in the form of dot spotting, of threads or of woven or embroidered ornaments, even with beads	K.L.	65·00 +	90
5.61.00	Socks and stockings, of hosiery of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion even with ornaments or embroideries of all sorts	Pair	6·00 +	80
5.61.10	Apparel of hosiery of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, n.s.m., even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	35·00 +	90
5.61.90	Manufactures of hosiery of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, n.s.m., even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	35·00 +	90
5.62.00	Undershirts or overshirts and drawers of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre, for men and boys ...	K.L.	50·00 +	90
5.62.10	Neckties of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	30·00 +	85
5.62.31	Handkerchiefs of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre, n.s.m., cut out, even hemmed ...	K.L.	35·00 +	100
5.62.41	Kerchiefs of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, cut out, even hemmed ...	K.L.	35·00 +	100
5.62.50	Shawls of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion	Sq.mtre.	80·00 +	85
5.62.60	Apparel cut out and not sewn, n.s.m., of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre	K.L.	55·00 +	100
5.62.90	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of cotton fabric, with silk stripes in one direction only or with dot spotting, of silk even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.62.91	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of flax and of other vegetable fibres, except cotton, with silk stripes in one direction only or with dot spotting of silk, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.62.92	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of artificial fibres, with silk stripes in one direction only or with dot spotting of silk, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.62.93	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of wool and of other animal fibres, except silk, with silk stripes in one direction only or with dot spotting of silk, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.62.94	Apparel, ready made, n.s.m., and sewn parts thereof, of fabric of any fibre except silk, with admixture of silk, not being in the form of stripes in one direction only or of dot spotting, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	70·00 +	100
5.63.00	Table covers and hangings of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.63.10	Bedspreads of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.63.20	Curtains of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.63.90	Household linen and furnishing articles, n.s.m., of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	90
5.64.90	Articles of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, n.s.m., even with beads or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	40·00 +	90
5.65.00	Waistbands, garters and braces of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts ...	K.L.	35·00 +	55
5.65.10	Corsets, belts and brassieres, of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, with or without busks, even with ornaments, embroideries or ribbons of all sorts	K.L.	55·00 +	70
5.66.00	Pillows, bolsters, cushions, mattresses and small mattresses, stuffed with feathers and with case of fabric of silk with admixture of other fibre in any proportion, even with ornaments, embroideries or false metal of all sorts	K.L.	15·00 +	80
6.40.10	Toilet or bath soap, even aromatized or perfumed ...	K.L.	1·50 +	70
6.51.00	Dentifrices, liquid, solid or pasty, perfumed or not ...	K.L.	3·00 +	70
6.52.00	Deodorizers, perfumed or not	K.L.	3·00 +	70
6.52.01	Depilatories, perfumed or not	K.L.	3·00 +	70
7.10.00	Beer in earthen, faience, glass, wooden or other receptacles	K.G.	2·00 +	75
7.10.10	Cider in earthen, faience, wooden, metal or other receptacles	K.G.	2·00 +	100
7.10.20	Sparkling wines	K.G.	8·00 +	100
7.10.31	Red, white and generous wines, the alcoholic strength of which does not exceed 14 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles	K.G.	3·50 +	100
7.10.33	Red, white and generous wines, the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 14 but not 23 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles	K.G.	5·00 +	100
7.11.01	Alcoholic beverages, the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 14 but not 23 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles ...	K.G.	5·00 +	100
7.11.03	Alcoholic beverages, the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 23 but not 55 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles ...	K.G.	7·00 +	100
7.11.05	Alcoholic beverages, the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 55 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C. in earthen, faience or glass receptacles	K.G.	10·00 +	100
7.11.07	Rye or Bourbon whisky, the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 23 but not 55 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles, provided the receptacles bear labels showing the trade name of the product	K.G.	8·00 +	100
7.11.09	Rye or Bourbon whisky, the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 55 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles, provided the receptacles bear labels showing the trade name of the product	K.G.	9·00 +	100
7.11.10	Whisky, n.s.m., the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 23 but not 55 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles ...	K.G.	8·00 +	100
7.11.11	Whisky, n.s.m., the alcoholic strength of which exceeds 55 Gay-Lussac centesimal degrees at 15° C., in earthen, faience or glass receptacles	K.G.	9·00 +	100
7.56.40	Playing cards	K.L.	12·00 +	85
7.72.22	Balls with a core of cork or rubber, covered with yarns or fabric, over 60 but not more than 80 millimetres in diameter, weighing over 135 but not more than 175 grammes	K.L.	10·00 +	30
7.72.23	Cancelled.			
7.90.64	Separate parts, n.s.m., of dolls, namely heads, trunks and limbs, also their integral parts, if imported separately and weighing not more than 300 grammes	K.L.	10·00 +	85
7.99.30	Linoleum, of cork composition, the outer side being decorated with colours and the lower side backed with cloth of jute or any other stiff vegetable fibre ...	K.L.	0·70 +	55
8.41.34	Filament incandescent lamps, weighing each up to 20 grammes	Unit	0·20 +	35
8.41.35	Filament incandescent lamps, weighing each more than 20 grammes without exceeding 50 grammes ...	Unit	0·20 +	50
8.41.36	Filament incandescent lamps, weighing each more than 50 grammes	Unit	0·30 +	70
9.40.22	Pocket watches, other than repeating, with gilt or gold plated cases, or with parts or inlays of gold ...	Unit	10·00 +	25
9.40.23	Wrist watches, other than repeating, with gilt or gold plated cases, or with parts or inlays of gold* ...	Unit	6·00 +	25
9.40.25	Pocket and wrist watches, other than repeating, with case of silver or silvered false metal*	Unit	4·00 +	25
9.40.26	Pocket and wrist watches, with false metal cases neither gilt nor silvered*	Unit	2·50 +	25
9.40.27	Pocket and wrist watches with cases, n.s.m.*	Unit	4·00 +	25
9.41.03	Cases, gilt or gold plated, or with parts or inlays of gold, for pocket watches	Unit	6·00 +	25
9.41.04	Cases, gilt or gold plated, or with parts or inlays of gold, for wrist watches*	Unit	2·00 +	25
9.41.05	Cases of silver or of silvered false metal, for pocket and wrist watches*	Unit	2·00 +	25
9.41.07	Cases, n.s.m., for pocket and wrist watches*	Unit	2·00 +	25
9.41.10	Assembled movements and partly assembled separate parts thereof, that is, those formed of two or more parts driven by the gears and axles on which they turn, of all sorts, n.s.m., for pocket and wrist watches, repeating or other	Unit	1·60 +	25
9.41.32	Watch bracelets of gold-plated or gilt false metal ...	G.N.	1·50 +	50
9.41.33	Watch bracelets of silver or false metal, even silvered ...	G.N.	1·00 +	50
9.41.34	Watch bracelets of other materials, n.s.m.	K.L.	35·00 +	70

* Bracelets shall pay duty separately.

Abbreviations

n.s.m.: not specially mentioned. K.L.: Legal kilo.
K.G.: Kilo gross. G.N.: Grammes net.

Note.—Goods which are clearly proved, within a fixed period of 30 days, to have been shipped by sea before the date of publication of these Decrees (June 4, 1954), shall pay import duties as before, where these favour the importer.

Union of South Africa: Proposals for Customs Tariff Amendments

THE UNITED KINGDOM Senior Trade Commissioner in Pretoria has reported that the South African Minister of Finance has laid before the South African House of Assembly proposals to amend the duties on certain articles in the Union Customs Tariff. Details of the proposals are given below; it will be announced in a later issue of the *Board of Trade Journal* whether and when the amendments will be brought into operation.

The writing of suspended duties into the tariff means only that if, at some later date, the South African Government should decide after investigation to increase duties on the goods concerned it could do so (up to the limit of the suspended duties) without recourse to Parliament. United Kingdom manufacturers would have an opportunity to submit evidence in the event of an application being made to bring the suspended duties into operation in whole or in part.

Tariff Item	Article	Unit	New Duties			Former Duties		
			Minimum	Intermediate	Maximum	Minimum	Intermediate	Maximum
59 (1)	Bags, n.e.e. :—							
	(a) Lined or unlined jute, hemp or hessian bags ...	*ad val.*	Free	Free	5 per cent.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.			
	(b) For flour, grain, manure, sugar, wool, coal and minerals, and for local produce or manufacturers :—					This item previously read :— 59 (1) (b) for flour, grain, manure, sugar wool, coal and minerals, and for local produce or, manufacturers, but excluding those provided for in paragraph (a).		
	(i) of cotton	*ad val.*	15 per cent.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.			
	(ii) other, but excluding those provided for in paragraph (a)	*ad val.*	Free	Free	5 per cent.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
81 (1)	Twine, and thread, n.e.e. :—							
	(a) Seaming twine; binder twine (oiled) for use in harvesting machines	*ad val.*	Free	5 per cent.	5 per cent.	Free	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.			
87 (1)	Nails, n.e.e., bolts, nuts, rivets, screws and washers: metal	*ad val.*	Free	3 per cent.	5 per cent.	Free	3 per cent.	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	17 per cent.	17 per cent.	20 per cent.			
118	Machinery, apparatus, appliances and implements, n.e.e., but excluding materials, domestic machines, and vehicles :—							
	(a) For agricultural purposes	*ad val.*	Free	Free	5 per cent.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
134 (1)	Pipes, piping, tubes, and fittings, of metal: gas, steam, drainage, sewerage, irrigation, water supply and water pumping, excluding grids, manhole covers and fittings, and surface boxes :—							
	(e) Pipe fittings, n.e.e. :—							
	(v) other, including cocks and taps, and meters n.e.e.; steam traps; rough flange forgings exceeding 7 inches diameter; parts of water meters falling under paragraph (h) ...	*ad val.*	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	10 per cent.	10 per cent.	10 per cent.			
171	Glass :—					This item previously read :— 171 (c) (i) exceeding 16 ozs. per sq. ft.		
	(c) Sheet (plain, clear) :—							
	(i) not exceeding 18 ozs. per sq. ft.	per 100 sq. ft.	2s.	3s.	3s.	3s.	4s.	4s.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		per 100 sq. ft.	3s.	3s.	4s.			
	(ii) exceeding 18 ozs. but not exceeding 24 ozs. per sq. ft.	per 100 sq. ft.	3s.	4s.	4s.	(c) (ii) not exceeding 16 ozs. per sq. ft. 2s.	3s.	3s.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		per 100 sq. ft.	6s.	6s.	8s.			
	(iii) exceeding 24 ozs. but not exceeding 32 ozs. per sq. ft.	per 100 sq. ft.	4s.	4s.	4s.			
				plus a suspended duty of				
		per 100 sq. ft.	10s.	10s.	13s.			
	(iv) exceeding 32 ozs. per sq. ft.	per 100 sq. ft.	4s.	4s.	4s.			
				plus a suspended duty of				
		per 100 sq. ft.	£1 11s. 0d.	£1 11s. 0d.	£1 18s. 0d.			
202	Oils, vegetable, animal and fish, n.e.e. :—					This item previously read :— 202 Oils, vegetable, animal and fish, n.e.e. :— (1) Maize, groundnut, cotton seed, sesame seed, sunflower seed, mustard seed, rape seed and soya bean, palm, palm kernel and coconut oil.		
	(a) Maize, groundnut, cotton seed, sesame seed, sunflower seed, mustard seed, rape seed and soya bean oil	*ad val.* or per lb.	25 per cent. 1d.	25 per cent. 1d.	25 per cent. 1d.	20 per cent. or per lb. 1d.	20 per cent. or per lb. 1d.	20 per cent. or per lb. 1d.
				whichever duty shall be the greater.			whichever duty shall be the greater, plus a suspended duty of per lb.	
	(1) (b) Palm, palm kernel and coconut oil :—							
	(i) unrefined	*ad val.*	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(ii) refined	*ad val.* or per lb.	25 per cent. 1d.	25 per cent. 1d.	25 per cent. 1d.			
				whichever duty shall be the greater		1d.	1d.	1d.
206	Soap, soap powders and extracts :—							
	(b) Soap powder and extracts other than toilet ...	*ad. val.*	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	per 100 lb. 4s. 2d. or 25 per cent.	4s. 9d. or 25 per cent.	4s. 9d. or 25 per cent.
						whichever duty shall be the greater.		
	(c) Other	*ad. val.*	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	per 100 lb. 4s. 9d.	4s. 9d.	4s. 9d.
						plus a suspended duty of		
						per 100 lb. 5s. 3d. or 25 per cent.	5s. 2d. or 25 per cent.	5s. 3d. or 25 per cent.
						whichever duty shall be the greater.		

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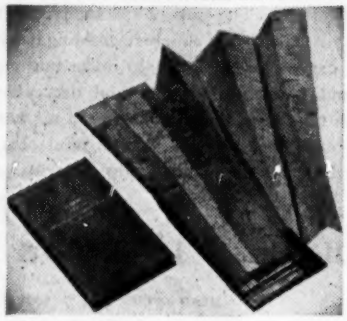

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South African Tariff Amendments—(*Continued*)

Tariff Item	Article	Unit	New Duties: Minimum	New Duties: Intermediate	New Duties: Maximum	Former Duties: Minimum	Former Duties: Intermediate	Former Duties: Maximum
222	Carbonic acid gas		Free	Free	Free	This item previously read :— 222 Carbonic acid gas :— (a) contained in cylinders for sodawater siphons.		
						per lb. 2s.	per lb. 2s.	per lb. 2s.
						(b) Other.		
						ad val. Free	*ad val.* Free	*ad val.* Free
						plus a suspended duty of		
						per lb. 2s.	per lb. 2s.	per lb. 2s.
275	Plywood :—							
	(a) Alder and birch, not exceeding 4 m.m. in thickness	per c. ft.	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.
				plus a suspended duty of			plus a suspended duty of	
		per c. ft. or *ad val.*	2s. 9d. 25 per cent.	2s. 9d. 25 per cent.	2s. 9d. 25 per cent.	2s. 9d.	2s. 9d.	2s. 9d.
280	(c) Woodpulp :—					This item previously read :— 280 (c) Woodpulp.		
	(i) bleached		Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free
				plus a suspended duty of			plus a suspended duty of	
		per lb.	1½d.	1½d.	1½d.	per lb. ½d.	per lb. ½d.	per lb. ½d.
	(ii) unbleached		Free	Free	Free			
				plus a suspended duty of				
		per lb.	½d.	½d.	½d.			
287 (1)	Cardboard, linenboard, leatherboard, fibreboard, strawboard, and millboard, but excluding pulpboard for building purposes	*ad val.*	Free	Free	5 per cent.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of			plus a suspended duty of	
		ad val.	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	per lb. ½d.	per lb. ½d.	per lb. ½d.
(2)	Pulpboard for building purposes :—							
	(a) Up to $\frac{1}{16}$ths. inch in thickness :—							
	(i) of a weight not exceeding 500 lb. per 1,000 sq. ft.	per 1,000 sq. ft.	17s. 6d.	17s. 6d.	17s. 6d.	17s. 6d.	17s. 6d.	17s. 6d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(ii) of a weight exceeding 500 lb. but not exceeding 600 lb. per 1,000 sq. feet ...	per 1,000 sq. ft.	£1 0s. 0d.	£1 0s. 0d.	£1 0s. 0d.	£1 0s. 0d.	£1 0s. 0d.	£1 0s. 0d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(iii) of a weight exceeding 600 lb. but not exceeding 800 lb. per 1,000 sq. feet ...	per 1,000 sq. ft.	£1 10s. 0d.	£1 10s. 0d.	£1 10s. 0d.	£1 10s. 0d.	£1 10s. 0d.	£1 10s. 0d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(iv) of a weight exceeding 800 lb. but not exceeding 1,000 lb. per 1,000 sq. feet ...	per 1,000 sq. ft.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(v) of a weight exceeding 1,000 lb. per 1,000 sq. feet	per 1,000 sq. ft.	£2 0s. 0d.	£2 0s. 0d.	£2 0s. 0d.	£2 0s. 0d.	£2 0s. 0d.	£2 0s. 0d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(b) Exceeding $\frac{1}{16}$ths inch but not exceeding ¼ inch in thickness	per 1,000 sq. ft.	£1 5s. 0d.	£1 5s. 0d.	£1 5s. 0d.	£1 5s. 0d.	£1 5s. 0d.	£1 5s. 0d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
	(c) Exceeding ¼ inch in thickness	per 1,000 sq. ft.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.	£1 15s. 0d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			
295	Paper :—							
	(d) Plain or composite, n.e.s. :—							
	(i) in the original mill wrappers, flat or folded, not less than 16 inches by 15 inches... ...	*ad val.*	Free	Free	5 per cent.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of			plus a suspended duty of	
		per lb.	2d.	2d.	2d.	1d.	1d.	1d.
	(ii) in the original mill reels or rolls ; paper in reels used for the Monotype setting machine	*ad val.*	Free	Free	5 per cent.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
				plus a suspended duty of			plus a suspended duty of	
		per lb.	2d.	2d.	2d.	1d.	1d.	1d.
	(f) Wrapping (including browns, casings, sealings, nature or ochre browns, sulphites, krafts and bag papers), in original mill wrappers, or in sheets or in rolls, when the weight of the paper at a size of 29 inches by 45 inches, or its equivalent, is not less than 30 lb. per ream of 480 sheets, but excluding waxed, oiled, greaseproof, vegetable and imitation parchment, and cover paper for use in the process of manufacturing boots and shoes, and printed papers, transparent cellulose papers, cartridge papers, and tin foil and similar metallic papers ...	per lb.	½d.	½d.	½d.	½d.	½d.	½d.
				plus a suspended duty of				
		ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.			

Persian Import and Exchange Regulations

THE Board of Trade have received details of the Persian Import and Exchange Regulations for the Persian Year 1333 (March 21, 1954, to March 20, 1955).

Both imports and exports are divided into two categories. The essential imports form Category 1 and less essential goods Category 2. Imports in Category 2 can be paid for only with exchange earned from Category 2 exports, but all foreign exchange at the disposal of the Bank Melli can be used for Category 1 imports.

Although there is a list of prohibited imports which is largely the same as for the previous year, import licences for them may be issued if no exchange payment is involved and they are intended for personal consumption to a maximum total of 2,000 rials a year for each applicant.

Inquiries arising from this notice should be addressed to Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Ext. 679 or 276), where a full list of quotas (in French) can be seen. An English version should be available fairly soon.

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Sudan Increases Duties and Profits Tax

THE Board of Trade have received telegraphic information from Khartoum announcing increases in import duties, business profit tax and the Sudan Government's intention to introduce a simple form of income tax, entertainment tax and stamp duty on cheques. These changes became effective on June 10 and are shown below. Full details will be published when available.

(i) On spirits, double from Pts. 68 to Pts. 136 per litre. Substantial increases on wines. Consumption duty on beer raised Pts. 2 per litre.

(ii) On alcoholic perfumery from 30 per cent. to 50 per cent. *ad valorem*.

(iii) On tobacco, from £E.3·450 m/ms. to £E.4·350 m/ms. per kilo (approximately Pts. 1 on each packet of 10 cigarettes).

(iv) On wheat and wheat flour, 15 per cent.

(v) On all foodstuffs other than flour, tea and coffee (which are charged specifically) from 10 per cent. to 15 per cent.

(vi) On all textiles, including ready-made clothing but excepting greys and bleached cotton piece-goods, from 20 per cent. to 25 per cent.

(vii) On motor spirit by £E.2 per ton (equivalent roughly Pts. 2 per gallon retail). Fuel oils from 6 per cent. to 10 per cent.

(viii) On passenger motor vehicles and wide range of luxury and semi-luxury goods including toilet preparations, photographic apparatus jewellery, wrtches, clocks and electrical household machinery other than radios and refrigerators), from 30 per cent. to 50 per cent.

(ix) Price of sugar, which is a Government monopoly, is to be increased Pts. 1 per lb.

The maximum rate of business profits tax is increased to 40 per cent. on profits over £E30,000 ; 30 per cent. on profits between £E10,000 and £E20,000 ; 35 per cent. between £E20,000 and £E30,000.

Note :—£E1 = 100 piastres (Pt.) = 1000 milliemes (m/m) = £1 0s. 6d. Sterling.

Any inquiry about this notice should be addressed to Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Ext. 276 or 679.)

Sierra Leone Cottons Tariff Revised

THE Customs Tariff (Duties) (No. 2) Order in Council, 1954, published in the Sierra Leone Royal Gazette Supplement dated May 20, 1954, provides for the following amendment to the Sierra Leone Customs Tariff :—

FIRST SCHEDULE—IMPORT DUTIES

Item	Goods	Unit	Preferential Tariff £ s. d.	General Tariff £ s. d.
39	COTTON MANUFACTURES—			
	(a) Piece-goods (including scarves)—			
	(i) Bleached	sq. yd.	0 0 3	0 0 4
	(ii) Coloured	,,	0 0 4	0 0 5½
	(iii) Dyed	,,	0 0 4	0 0 5½
	(iv) Grey (excluding American grey, commonly known as tent cloth) ...	,,	0 0 2	0 0 3
	(v) Printed	,,	0 0 4	0 0 5½
	(vi) Velveteen	,,	0 0 4	0 0 7

Australian Import Licensing Amendments

IMPORT licensing instructions, issued by the Australian Department of Trade and Customs, further amend the list of categories of goods affected by import restrictions (see *Board of Trade Journal* of May 22, 1954, and previous notices) as follows :—

Item	Goods	Former Category	New Category
318 (B) (2)	Watch movements for wristlet watches	Adm.*	N.Q.R.
318 (B) (3)	Other watch movements	B	N.Q.R.
Ex 334 (K)	Ungummed cork tipped bobbins for the manufacture of machine-made cigarettes	B	N.Q.R.
Ex 334 (K)	Surface coated, marble, etc., paper	B	No change
Ex 340 (C)	Ungummed cigarette paper bobbins for the manufacture of machine-made cigarettes	B	N.Q.R.
Ex 340 (C)	Ungummed cork tipped bobbins for the manufacture of machine-made cigarettes	B	N.Q.R.

Australian Customs Tariff Decisions

THE following decisions regarding the application of the Australian Customs Tariff, have been issued by the Australian Department of Trade and Customs :—

Goods	Classification and Duty under the British Preferential Tariff: Tariff Item	Rate of Duty
DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND MEDICINES :—		
Piperazine adipate in tablet form, when packed under a proprietary name or when put up as a medicinal preparation	285 (B) (1)	Free
LEATHER :—		
Alligator, for use in the manufacture of bags, portmanteaux, trunks or wallets, under security ...	449 (A) (1)	Free
Crocodile, for use in the manufacture of bags, portmanteaux, trunks, wallets or of tobacco pouches, under security	449 (A) (1)	Free
MACHINERY, MACHINES, ETC. :—		
Bit assemblies, rock cutting, rotary, comprising reaming stabilizer partly of tungsten carbide, bit blades of tool steel and tungsten carbide combined, bit shanks, locking bowls, and adaptors, and any of such components, when imported separately	449 (A) (1)	Free
METALS :—		
Iron and steel—strips, bright, deep drawing quality, not exceeding 12 inches in width, of a thickness not exceeding ·080 inch, for use in the manufacture of stampings for electrical apparatus and appliances, under security	449 (A) (1)	Free
TAPES :—		
Rubber, approximately ¼ inch by 8/1,000 inch or ⅜ inch by 8/1,000 inch, for use in the manufacture of golf balls, under security	449 (A) (1)	Free
Limited Period Decisions		
METALS, IRON AND STEEL :—		
Lathing, steel, expanded, in sheets or coils, provided that :— (a) the goods are shipped to Australia on or before December 31, 1954 ; and (b) the goods are entered for home consumption on arrival	449 (A) (1)	Free
WIRE, IRON AND STEEL :—		
Otherwise classifiable under Tariff Item 136 (E) (2) provided that :— (a) the goods are shipped to Australia before September 30, 1954 ; and (b) the goods are entered for home consumption on arrival	449 (A) (1)	Free

New Zealand Import Licensing Schedule for 1954

THE NEW ZEALAND Customs Department have issued the following decisions relating to the Import Licensing Schedule for 1954 (published in the *Board of Trade Journal* on August 15, 1953, pages 344-350) :—

Maids and Youths Utility Footwear for school wear, sizes 10–7. Ex Item 196 (3) :—

The allocation for the above item in the 1954 Licensing Schedule is changed to " C."

Pearl Barley. Item 5(7) :—

The exemption from licensing of pearl barley is withdrawn and these goods are now to be regarded as a " C " item.

Any shipments of pearl barley in transit to New Zealand on June 4 will be admissible without licence.

Cream Mugs, etc. made of cardboard, etc. Item 267(2) :—

The item for cream mugs made of cardboard, etc. in the 1954 Licensing Schedule is amended as follows—

Ex 267(2)	Waxed drinking cups	SD
Ex 267(2)	Cream mugs, etc. made of cardboard, etc. (excluding waxed drinking cups)	D

Pneumatic Rubber Tyres. Ex Item 205(6)(a) :—

During 1954 truck and bus tyres of the mudgrip type in sizes 10.00 × 20 and 11.00 × 20 will be admissible without licence if the manufacture of and imported from non-scheduled countries.

Import Control Exemption Notice (No. 3) 1954 may be regarded as amended accordingly in respect of importations made during 1954.

16 m.m. Sound Projectors. Ex Item 244 :—

The item in the Licensing Schedule relating to 16m.m. sound projectors covers all identifiable parts thereof classed under Tariff item 244. Such parts may be imported only under the authority of a valid licence.

New Zealand Classifications Revised

THE New Zealand Customs Department have issued the following decisions concerning the classification of goods shown in the New Zealand Customs Tariff :—

Tariff Item No.	Decision
	ANTISEPTICS—
100 (1)	*Tetracycline hydrochloride.
100 (1)	*Tetracyn.
183 (2)	Fabrics woven from glass fibre.
239 (2)	Scooters, other than those which are mechanically propelled (see also Tariff item 379).
379	Scooters, mechanically propelled (see also Tariff item 239 (2)).

* To be admitted from all countries at the rate of duty under the British Preferential Tariff, under section 11 of the Customs Amendment Act 1927.

Note :—This list may possibly contain words which are registered in the United Kingdom as trade marks in relation to certain kinds of goods.

"Made in Canada" Rulings

MEMORANDUM Series D No. 51 M.C.R. 92 (First Revision) Supplement No. 3 dated June 7, 1954, issued by the Canadian Department of National Revenue, states that the under-mentioned have been transferred from the category of "a kind not made in Canada" to that of "a kind made in Canada."

Di Cyclo Hexyl Phthalate.
Di Methyl Cyclo Hexyl Phthalate.
Methyl Alcohol (Methanol).
Propylene Glycol, Technical and Antifreeze Grades.
Dipropylene Glycol.
N-propyl Acetate.
N-propyl Alcohol (Propanol).

Memorandum Series D No. 51 M.C.R. 92 (First Revision) Supplement No. 4 dated June 9, 1954, states that the undermentioned material is to be considered as of "a kind *not* made in Canada" :—

Calcium Formate.

The order dated March 17, 1954, Memorandum Series D No. 51 M.C.R. 92 (First Revision), whereby the above is classified as of a "kind made in Canada" is hereby revoked only in so far as this material is concerned.

These rulings become effective three weeks from the dates of the Memoranda.

Ceylon Import Control Amended

THE United Kingdom Trade Commissioner in Colombo has reported that a Notification has been published in the *Ceylon Government Gazette* No. 10,675 of May 28, 1954, the effect of which is to amend the schedule to Open General Licence No. 1 (which is applicable to any territory except: the Dollar area, Japan, Germany, China, U.S.S.R., Albania, Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Estonia, Hungaria, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Roumania and Yugoslavia) by the addition of the following items :—

Margarine.
Oils and Fats, refined, edible—Animal Lard.

Pakistan Customs Tariff Amendments

THE United Kingdom Trade Commissioner in Karachi has forwarded a copy of Customs Notification No. 22, of May 10, 1954, which exempts the following anti-malaria drugs (comprised in Item 28 of the first schedule to the Pakistan Customs Tariff) from the Customs duty leviable thereon :—

Resochin
Aralen

United States Trade Practice Rules Rescinded

THE United States Federal Trade Commission have rescinded the trade practice rules for the following industries :—

Concrete mixer and paver industry.
Ingot brass and bronze industry.

The Commission state that these rules (promulgated in 1931) are general in form and in some respects obsolete, and that proceedings for revision do not appear to be essential in the public interest.

Netherlands Turnover Tax on Imported Goods

THE *Staatsblad*, No. 139, publishes a decree dated April 14, 1954, effective as from April 25, whereby the undermentioned goods are added to the list of those subject to an increase of import tax on entry into the Netherlands (see *Board of Trade Journal*, February 13, 1954, page 328).

Tariff No.	Description	Percentage Increase
105 (a)	Linseed oil	3
105 (c) 1.	Soya oil	3
Ex 105 (c) 2.	Linseed oil, whether or not crude	3
105 (d)	Cotton seed oil	3
105 (e)	Groundnut oil	3
105 (f)	Sesame, colza, rapeseed and the like oils	3
105 (k)	Palm-kernel and coconut (copra) oil	3
Ex 105 (l)	Poppy seed oil, Kapok oil and Nigerseed oil, whether or not crude	3

Liberalization of Trade in Federal Republic of Germany

THE *Board of Trade Journal* of March 27, 1954, contained an announcement at page 152 that the Federal German Government had increased liberalization of imports from countries which settle their accounts through the European Payments Union but are not members of the Organization for European Economic Co-operation.

The Federal German Government have, with effect from June 12, 1954, amended the list of goods which may be imported without quantitative restrictions from these countries.

Amorphous graphite has been added and flour of tapioca roots, tapioca and certain types of casein have been removed from the list.

A translation of the amendments in full may be seen at the Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Room 601, Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 4411, Ext. 681.)

Additions to Turkish List VI of Imports on Credit

CIRCULAR No. 497 of the Turkish Ministry of Economy and Commerce lists, as below, items which have been added to List VI of imports on long credit terms from List IV (see the *Board of Trade Journal* of November 7, 1953, pages 952–960, and subsequent additions).

Tariff No.	Statistical No.	Commodity
284	891–893	Only oak wood, kiln-dried.
	935, 939, 943, 947, 950, 951, 952, 955, 956, 962	Only wood of these statistical numbers.
452	1479, 1480	Linoleum for covering floors.
469	1531–1538	Cement.
665	2426	Pumps of all kinds, for liquids, gas, air, etc., except those operated by hand.

Any inquiries arising from this notice should be addressed to the Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Room 602, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Ext. 276 or 679.)

Turkish Regulations for Imports of Spare Parts

CIRCULAR No. 500 issued by the Turkish Ministry of Economy and Commerce now limits the importation of spare parts for machines and vehicles up to a value of T.L. 500 per month, to the representatives and accredited agents of foreign firms in Turkey.

Circulars Nos. 440 and 443 are thereby cancelled (see the *Board of Trade Journal* of June 6, 1953, page 1165, and June 20, 1953, page 1259).

The full text of Circular No. 500, in French, may be seen on application to the Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Room 602, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Ext. 276 or 679.)

Argentina Offers Exchange Permits for Car Spares and Pigments

HER MAJESTY'S Embassy at Buenos Aires reports by telegram that the following Circulars inviting applications for import permits have been published by the Argentine Central Bank :—

No. 1982 : Spare parts for cars comprising items 636–640 of the Argentine Customs Tariff but excluding parts which can be manufactured in Argentina. Applications by authorized agents of vehicle manufacturers and motor transport co-operatives to import from any source must be submitted to the Central Bank by July 14. Payment is to be effected at the free market rate of exchange.

No. 1991 : Ultramarine blue and green from various sources including the United Kingdom. Applications from registered importers and users must be made to the Central Bank by July 12. Payment is to be effected at the official rate of exchange.

Chile's Gold Surcharge Rate

CHILEAN Decree No. 657 provides that for the six monthly period January to June, 1954, the gold surcharge rate is fixed at 2170 per cent. The previous rate was 2190 per cent. as reported in the *Board of Trade Journal* of August 22, 1953, Page 402.

French Imports of Goods Previously Free of Import Licence

THE French *Journal Officiel* of June 12 announced that the closing date for submitting import licences in respect of the undermentioned products falling under Section IIc of the notice of May 2 regarding French imports of goods previously free of import licence (see *Board of Trade Journal* of May 8, pages 993–996), has been extended from June 18 to noon on June 30.

Tariff Item	Description
800 to 802, Ex 803	Chairs and chair seats other than of veneer or plywood.
804 to 808 (except 804B)	Furniture.
809, 810B, 811, 813	Bedding (except metal spring mattresses, pillows and bolsters).

The French text of the notice may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 625, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

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Investment in Turkey

" Foreign Capital Investments in Turkey " is the title of a useful little book by Mr. Rasim Cenani, a Turkish lawyer and business man. It has, he says, " the aim of helping English and American business men who may be contemplating going into business in the Turkey of 1954," for he believes his country offers them great economic possibilities. He calls it " a rough handbook." In fact, it summarizes, quotes textually, and/or explains those sections of Turkey's past and present law on foreign investment that most regularly bring inquiries to his own office in Istanbul, and the current operation of company law in his country. Written and printed in English in Istanbul, the book may be obtained in England from Messrs. Simpkin Marshall Ltd., 242 Marylebone Road, London, N.W.1. Price 15s.

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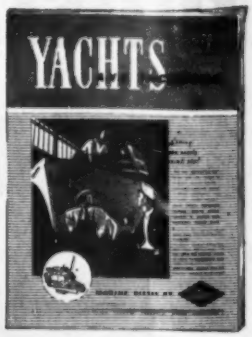

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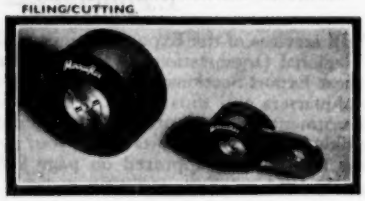

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Trade Fairs and Exhibitions in the U.K.

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IN RECENT years the laundry industry in this country has been struggling against the effects of worn-out machinery and labour difficulties, the aftermath of war. Modernization is the keynote of the Laundry, Dry Cleaning and Allied Trades Exhibition which will be held at Olympia, London, from July 8 to 17.

It will be a "working" exhibition with all kinds of laundry plant and equipment operating continuously during the nine days' run. Dry cleaning will be prominently featured with special emphasis on the advances which have recently been made in equipment and processes.

More than a hundred firms are participating, their exhibits including boilers (steam, electric, oil and solid fuel); air drying machines; automatic controls; boiler furnaces; pumps of all kinds; hydro-electrors; finishing and ironing machinery; automatic and mechanical stokers; trucks and trollies; recording instruments; water purification, softening and heating plant; steam fittings; packing requirements; presses; washing compounds, detergents and soaps; dyestuffs and dyeing processes. Most of the exhibits will be of British manufacture but some will be of American, Scandinavian and other Continental origin.

The public will be admitted to the exhibition which will be open each day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Further information may be obtained from F. W. Bridges & Sons, Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2.

NOTICE TO READERS

A classified list of trade fairs and exhibitions on the continent of Europe will appear in next week's issue of the *Board of Trade Journal* and a list of events in other parts of the world in the issue of July 10.

No responsibility is taken for the standing of organizations or individuals mentioned, and dates, etc., may be subject to alteration.

The Board of Trade Exhibitions Branch, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 4411, Ext. 418) will be glad to answer general inquiries about the events listed, but application should be made to the organizers for detailed information. Exhibitions Branch can also provide information about other events which are not included in the list owing to space limitations.

Recent additions are indicated by an asterisk (*).

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General

"PRODUCTION FOR PLENTY" EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE, LONDON—July 7–14.
At National Hall, Olympia. Apply, Andry Montgomery Ltd., 11 Avenue Chambers, 4 Vernon Place, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 2223/7.)

THE RIDINGS INTERNATIONAL FAIR, HARROGATE—July 31–August 14.
Apply, Regional Exhibitions Ltd., Salfords, Surrey. (Tel.: Horley 64.)

SCOTTISH INDUSTRIES EXHIBITION, GLASGOW—September 2–18.
At Kelvin Hall. Apply, General Manager, 16 Woodside Terrace, Glasgow, C.3. (Tel.: Douglas 8811.)

WELSH INDUSTRIES FAIR, CARDIFF—September 8–18.
In Sophia Gardens Pavilion. Apply, National Industrial Development Council of Wales and Monmouthshire Ltd., 17 Windsor Place, Cardiff. (Tel.: 23049.)

WEST COUNTRY INTERNATIONAL FAIR, BRISTOL—September 11–25.
Apply, Regional Exhibitions Ltd., Salfords, Surrey. (Tel.: Horley 64.)

8TH ANNUAL SUSSEX INDUSTRIES FAIR, BRIGHTON—September 15–25, At Corn Exchange.
Apply, Federation of Sussex Industries, Ltd., 32 Duke Street, Brighton, 1.

Specialized

Aeronautical

FLYING DISPLAY AND EXHIBITION, FARNBOROUGH—September 7–12,
Apply, Society of British Aircraft Constructors Ltd., 32 Savile Row, London, W.1. (Tel.: Regent 5215/7.)

Agricultural, Dairy Industry

ROYAL NORFOLK SHOW, COSTESSEY, NORWICH—June 30–July 1.
Apply, Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association, Diss, Norfolk.

ROYAL SHOW, WINDSOR—July 6–9.
Apply, Royal Agricultural Society of England, 16 Bedford Square, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Museum 5905.)

GREAT YORKSHIRE AGRICULTURAL SHOW, HARROGATE—July 13–15.
Apply, Yorkshire Agricultural Society, Great Yorkshire Showyard, Hookstone Drive, Harrogate. (Tel.: 6014.)

ROYAL WELSH AGRICULTURAL SHOW, MACHYNLLETH—July 21–23.
Apply, Royal Welsh Agricultural Society, Queen's Road, Aberystwyth. (Tel.: Aberystwyth 7551.)

10TH WORLD POULTRY CONGRESS EXHIBITION, EDINBURGH—August 13–21.
At Waverley Market. Apply, The Department of Agriculture for Scotland, St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh, 1.

68TH DAIRY SHOW, LONDON—October 26–29.
At Olympia. Apply, The British Dairy Farmers' Association, 17 Devonshire Street, London, W.1. (Tel.: Langham 5012.)

SMITHFIELD SHOW AND AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY EXHIBITION, LONDON—December 6–10.
At Earls Court. Apply, Smithfield Show Joint Committee, 148 Piccadilly, London, W.1. (Tel.: Grosvenor 4040.)

NATIONAL POULTRY SHOW, LONDON—December 8–10.
At Olympia. Apply, Poultry World, Dorset House, Stamford Street, London, S.E.1. (Tel.: Waterloo 3333.)

Antiques

4TH NORTHERN ANTIQUE DEALERS' FAIR, HARROGATE—September 6–11.
Apply, Mr. E. R. M. Brooke, 49 Hillcrest Rise, Cookridge, Leeds, 6.

Building and Public Works

BUILDING PLANT EXHIBITION, READING—June 24–30.
At Hills Meadow. Apply, Mr. W. H. Wilson, Acting Chief Information Officer, Ministry of Works, Room 117, Lambeth Bridge House, London, S.E.1. (Tel.: Reliance 7611.)

20TH BUILDING TRADES EXHIBITION, MANCHESTER—October 19–30.
Apply, Provincial Exhibitions Ltd., City Hall, Deansgate, Manchester, 3. (Tel.: Deansgate 6363.)

PUBLIC WORKS AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION, LONDON—November 15–20.
At Olympia. Apply, Exhibition Organizers, The Municipal Agency Ltd., 70 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1. (Tel.: Victoria 9132.)

Electrical, Radio and Television, Cinema

1ST NATIONAL RADIO AND TELEVISION EXHIBITION, LONDON—August 25–September 4.
At Earls Court. Apply, Radio Industry Council, 59 Russell Square, London, W.1. (Tel.: Museum 6901.)

X-RAY APPARATUS EXHIBITION (IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CONGRESS OF THE BRITISH INSTITUTE OF RADIOLOGY), LONDON—November 23–26.
At the Royal Horticultural Hall, Vincent Square. Apply, Mr. A. Beetlestone, c/o Mullard Ltd., New Road, Mitcham Junction, Surrey. (Tel.: Mitcham 2071.)

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U.K. Trade Fairs and Exhibitions—(*Continued*)

Engineering

INTERNATIONAL MODEL ENGINEER EXHIBITION, LONDON—August 18–28.
At New Horticultural Hall. Apply, Mr. G. Withers, 19 & 20 Noel Street, London, W.1. (Tel.: Gerrard 8811.)

ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION, 7TH LONDON REGIONAL DISPLAY—October 12–14.
At Royal Horticultural Society's New Hall. Apply, 9 Seymour Street, Portman Square, London, W.1. (Tel.: Welbeck 2241.)

Foodstuffs and Beverages

3RD BRITISH FOOD FAIR, LONDON—September 7–18.
At Olympia. Apply Mr. J. O'Shea, 57 Catherine Place, London, S.W.1. (Tel.: Victoria 3674.)

BREWERS' EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 4–8.
At Empire and National Halls, Olympia. Apply, Trades Markets and Exhibitions Ltd., 623 Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Whitehall 1371.)

Footwear

45TH SHOE AND LEATHER FAIR, LONDON—October 4–8.
In the Grand Hall, Olympia. Apply, The Shoe and Leather Fair, Granville House, Arundel Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 5524.)

FASHION IN FOOTWEAR EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 5–9.
At Washington Hotel, Curzon Street. Apply, Exhibition Department, "Footwear", Drury House, Russell Street, Drury Lane, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

Handicrafts

NATIONAL HANDICRAFTS AND HOBBIES EXHIBITION, LONDON—September 2–11.
At Central Hall, Westminster. Apply, Henderson Exhibitions, Ltd., 74 Holland Park, London, W.11. (Tel.: Park 7360.)

2ND INTERNATIONAL HANDICRAFTS, HOMECRAFTS AND HOBBIES EXHIBITION—September 9–23.
At Olympia. Apply, Exhibition Organizer, 24 Store Street, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Museum 9792.)

Medical, Dental, Nursing

MEDICAL EXHIBITION, GLASGOW—July 5–9.
Apply, British Medical Association, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Euston 4499.)

39TH NURSING EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 11–15.
At Seymour Hall. Apply, Nursing Mirror Ltd., Dorset House, Stamford Street, London, S.E.1. (Tel.: Waterloo 3333.)

BRITISH DENTAL TRADE EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 25–29.
At New Horticultural Hall. Apply, The Secretary, Association of British Dental Traders, 14 Clifford Street, New Bond Street, London, W.1. (Tel.: Hyde Park 0844.)

37TH MEDICAL EXHIBITION, LONDON—November 15–19.
At New Horticultural Hall. Apply, The British and Colonial Druggist Ltd., 194–200 Bishopsgate, London, E.C.2. (Tel.: Avenue 1444.)

Motor Vehicles, Bicycles

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL MOTOR TRANSPORT EXHIBITION, LONDON—September 24–October 2.
At Earls Court. Apply, Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Ltd., 148 Piccadilly, London, W.1. (Tel.: Grosvenor 4040.)

39TH INTERNATIONAL MOTOR EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 20–30.
At Earls Court. Apply, Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Ltd., 148 Piccadilly, London, W.1. (Tel.: Grosvenor 4040.)

29TH INTERNATIONAL CYCLE AND MOTOR CYCLE SHOW, LONDON—November 13–20.
At Earls Court. Apply, The British Cycle & Motor Cycle Manufacturers and Traders Union Ltd., The Towers, Warwick Road, Coventry. (Tel.: Coventry 62511.)

Office Equipment

BUSINESS EFFICIENCY EXHIBITION, MANCHESTER—September 27–October 2.
At City Hall. Apply, O.A. & B.E. Trades Association, 11–13 Dowgate Hill, London, E.C.4. (Tel.: Central 7771–2.)

Textiles, Clothing and Accessories

FASHION FAIR, LONDON—September 6–10.
At Royal Festival Hall. Apply, V. G. Sherren, The National Trade Press Ltd., Drury House, Russell Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

NATIONAL FABRICS FAIR, LONDON—October 4–8.
At Royal Festival Hall. Apply, V. G. Sherren, National Trade Press Ltd., Drury House, Russell Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

FRENCH TEXTILES EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 8–24.
* At Hutchinson House. Apply, Robert Brandon & Partners Ltd., 47 Albemarle Street, London, W.1. (Tel.: Hyde Park 0901.)

CLOTHING TRADES EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 21–23.
At Old Horticultural Hall. Apply, The Secretary, Factory Managers' Clothing Association of Gt. Britain, 40 Broadway, Westminster, London, S.W.1. (Tel.: Whitehall 4296.)

NATIONAL SCHOOL-AGE CLOTHING TRADE FAIR, LONDON—November 1–5.
Apply, V. G. Sherren, The National Trade Press Ltd., Drury House, Russell Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

Miscellaneous

LAUNDRY, DRY CLEANING AND ALLIED TRADES EXHIBITION, LONDON—July 8–17.
At Olympia. Apply, F. W. Bridges & Sons Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Whitehall 0568.)

35TH INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW, LONDON—July 19–24.
At White City Stadium. Apply, 66 Sloane Street, London, S.W.1. (Tel.: Sloane 9773.)

NATIONAL DISPLAY CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION, LONDON—September 20–24.
At Old and New Horticultural Society's Halls, London, S.W.1. Apply, Exhibition and Convention Office, 16 West Central Street, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Temple Bar 9551.)

CATALOGUE EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 12–23.
At the British Institute of Management, Management House, Hill Street. Apply, The British Federation of Master Printers, 11 Bedford Row, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 6904.)

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Building

26TH BUILDING EXHIBITION, LONDON—November 16–30.
* At Olympia. Apply, The Building Trades Exhibition Ltd., 4 Vernon Place, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 2223/7.)

Boats

NATIONAL BOAT SHOW, LONDON—December 30, 1954–January 8.
At Olympia. Apply, T. A. Webb, Ship and Boat Builders National Federation, 205 Regent Street, London, W.1. (Tel.: Grosvenor 5455.)

Electrical

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (ASEE) EXHIBITION—March 15–19.
At Earls Court. Apply, P. A. Thorogood, Electrical Engineers (ASEE) Exhibition, Ltd., 23 Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Museum 3450.)

Engineering

20TH ENGINEERING MARINE AND WELDING AND FOUNDRY TRADES EXHIBITION—September 1–15.
At Olympia. Apply, F. W. Bridges & Sons Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Whitehall 0568.)

Factory Equipment

3RD FACTORY EQUIPMENT EXHIBITION, LONDON—March 28–April 2.
At Earls Court. Apply, J. E. Holdsworth, 117 Kingsway, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Holborn 1414.)

Fancy Goods, Toys

INTERNATIONAL TOY FAIR, HARROGATE—January 8–14.
Apply, Mr. George Wilkinson, 26 City Road, London, E.C.1. (Tel.: Monarch 8921.)

GIFTS AND FANCY GOODS FAIR, HARROGATE—January 31–February 4.
Apply, Fancy Goods Association, 19/25 Gutter Lane, London, E.C.2. (Tel.: Monarch 0871.)

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U.K. Trade Fairs and Exhibitions—*(Continued)*

Foodstuffs

INTERNATIONAL BAKERS AND CONFECTIONERS EXHIBITION, LONDON—October 1–6.
At Olympia. Apply, Trades Markets & Exhibitions Ltd., 624 Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Whitehall 1371.)

Hotel and Catering

HOTEL AND CATERING EXHIBITION, MANCHESTER—January 19–29.
At City Hall, Deansgate. Apply, Provincial Exhibitions Ltd., City Hall, Deansgate, Manchester, 3.

Leather Goods

LEATHER GOODS INDUSTRIES FAIR, LONDON—February 14–18.
At Kensington Palace Hotel. Apply, the "Leathergoods" Journal, 15 Cursitor Street, London, E.C.4. (Tel.: Chancery 4001.)

Packaging

4TH INTERNATIONAL PACKAGING EXHIBITION, LONDON—January 18–28.
At Olympia. Apply, Provincial Exhibitions Ltd., City Hall, Deansgate, Manchester. (Tel.: Deansgate 6363.)

Plastics

BRITISH PLASTICS EXHIBITION, LONDON—June 1–11.
At Olympia. Apply, "British Plastics," Dorset House, Stamford Street, London, S.E.1. (Tel.: Waterloo 3333.)

Printing, Printing Machinery, Stationery, Book Trades

STATIONERY TRADE FAIR, HARROGATE—February 7–11.
Apply, The Stationers' Association of Great Britain and Ireland, 227 Strand, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Central 7293/4.)

STATIONERY AND BOOK TRADES FAIR, LONDON—February 28–March 4.
At New Horticultural Hall. Apply, National Newsagent Ltd., 149 Fleet Street, London, E.C.4. (Tel.: City 2604.)

10TH INTERNATIONAL PRINTING, MACHINERY AND ALLIED TRADES EXHIBITION, LONDON—July 5–16.
At Olympia. Apply, F. W. Bridges & Sons Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Whitehall 0568.)

Scientific Instruments

39TH PHYSICAL SOCIETY EXHIBITION OF SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPARATUS, LONDON—April 25–28.
At Royal Horticultural Hall. Apply, The Physical Society, 1 Lowther Gardens, Prince Consort Road, London, S.W.7. (Tel.: Kensington 0048.)

BRITISH INSTRUMENT INDUSTRIES' EXHIBITION, LONDON—June 28–July 9.
* At Earls Court. Apply, F. W. Bridges & Sons, Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Whitehall 0568.)

Textiles, Clothing

HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES AND SOFT FURNISHINGS FAIR, LONDON—February 14–18.
At Royal Festival Hall. Apply, V. G. Sherren, The National Trade Press Ltd., Drury House, Russell Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

MEN'S TRADE FAIR, LONDON—February 21–25.
At Royal Festival Hall. Apply, V. G. Sherren, The National Trade Press Ltd., Drury House, Russell Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

FASHION FAIR, LONDON—February 28–March 4.
At Royal Festival Hall. Apply, V. G. Sherren, The National Trade Press Ltd., Drury House, Russell Street, London, W.C.2. (Tel.: Temple Bar 3422.)

2ND SMALLWARES TRADE FAIR, BRIGHTON—February 28–March 4.
Apply, Trade and Technical Exhibitions Ltd., 1 Dorset Buildings, Salisbury Square, London, E.C.4. (Tel.: Central 1555.)

Miscellaneous

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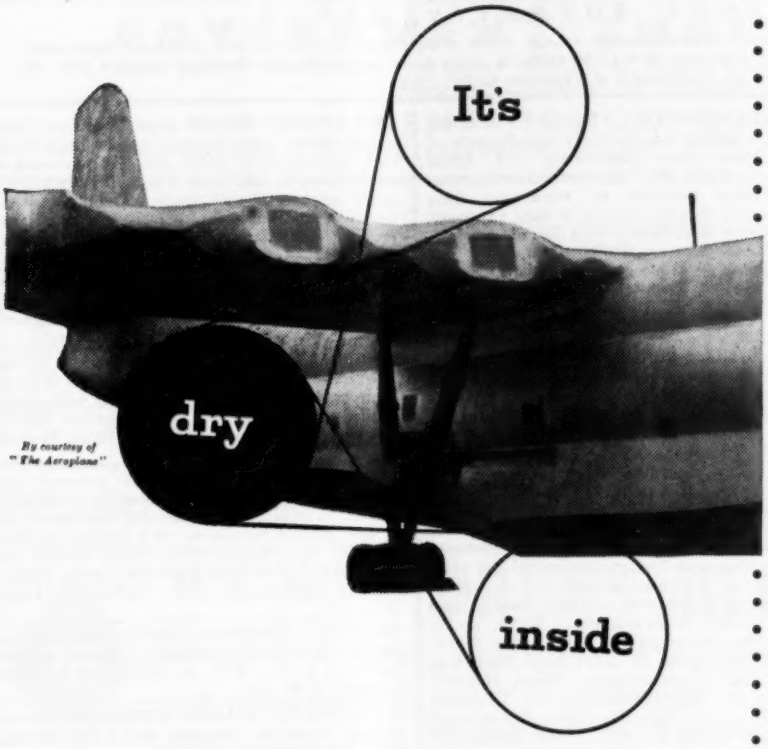

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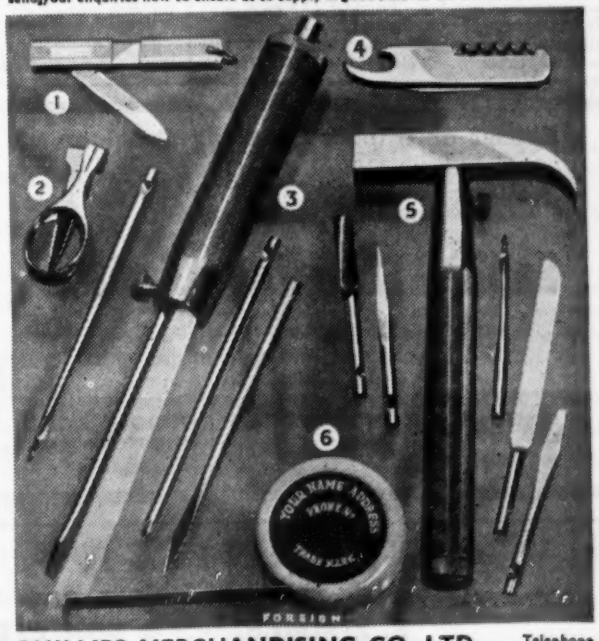

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